



# THE ACCENT

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## Directors elected by acclamation



Juanita Gallant

Juanita Gallant (local 1), Merilla Crossman (local 3), and Chrissy Murphy (local 7) have been elected by acclamation to the position of director after the recent call for nominations.

As director of local 1, Juanita Gallant represents all UPSE members whose primary work location lies west of the western boundaries of the City of Summerside (and who are employed by the Civil Service bargaining unit, a provincial government agency, board or Crown corporation).

As director of local 3, Merilla Crossman represents all UPSE members whose primary work location lies west of the county line dividing Prince County and Queen's County and east of the western boundaries of the City of Summerside (and who are members of the Health bargaining unit as well as all UPSE members whose primary work location is the Stewart Memorial Hospital in Tyne Valley).



Merilla Crossman



Chrissy Murphy

As director of local 7, Chrissy Murphy represents all UPSE members whose primary work location is in Queen's County (and who are members of the Department of Health bargaining unit employed in general hospitals, psychiatric care facilities, addiction services, or at Sherwood Home - and those members of the Department of Social Services and Seniors employed in the adolescent group homes).

*Note: contact UPSE for official "local structure" information detailing exclusions in locals 1, 3, and 7.*

## Election - directors (locals 5 and 15)

A call for nominations for the position of director at locals 5 and 15 has resulted in the following nominees: Steve Mollins, Simon Hashie and Nancy Keough-Baglolo have offered for local 5 (election is for two director positions); Joyce MacLean and Fred MacLeod have offered for local 15 (election is for one director position). Ballots for members in locals 5 and 15 have been mailed out and the elections shall be conducted with the deadlines for receipt of ballots to the UPSE office set for August 28, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.



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## Vacant director positions

No nominations have been received for locals 9, 11, 13, 17, 19, and 20. As a result, the Membership Services Committee will issue a call for nominations for directors. The call for nominations must be issued within twenty-one days of the close of the annual convention.



To be eligible for nomination as a director, a member of the applicable local must have been a member in good standing for at least the previous twelve months, be nominated by a current member in good standing of the applicable local, and have completed the *You and Your Union* or equivalent course.

*Note: Local 19 requires nominations for only one of its two director positions at this time.*

## UPSE thanks exiting directors

The President of the Union of Public Sector Employees, Shelley Ward, extends thanks and best wishes to the following directors who have decided not to re-offer in 2009:

Clarence Brown (local 1)  
Arlene Bowness (local 3)  
Kim Stewart (local 7)  
Sheila Murphy (local 9)  
Jane Young (local 11)  
Bryan Burt (local 13)  
Terence McGaughey (local 17)  
Marcel Arsenault (local 19)

Ward said that “the directors should be recognized for their contribution and dedicated service to the union and its membership. We depend on the direct involvement of all our members and the directors themselves are an integral part of the union’s decision making structure. This structure allows us to shape our strategic direction and conduct business on a daily basis.”

## Civil Service Classification and Appeals Board

The Union is calling for names of those interested in serving on the Classification Appeal Committee. The committee consists of a member appointed by the employer, the union, and a chairperson appointed upon mutual nomination of the employer and the union.

UPSE shall appoint one member and one alternate member to serve on the committee. If interested, please contact Mary MacLean at the UPSE office at 892-5335, toll free at 1-800-897-8773, or email [peiupse@peiupse.ca](mailto:peiupse@peiupse.ca).

The Classification Appeals Committee hears appeals from permanent employees and or the employer in cases where there is a dispute about the classification of a position, and where the appeal is filed within fifteen working days of receipt of the original decision from the Public Service Commission.

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