

THE Accent

Prince Edward Island Union of Public Sector Employees

Call for nominations Presidential Election, 2012

The union's Presidential Nominations Committee has issued a call for nominations for the upcoming Presidential election. Presidential terms are for three years. A new term will begin following Convention in the fall. Nomination forms can be picked up at the union office and will include an up-to-date copy of the policies and procedures for the election. All nomination forms are due at the PEI UPSE office by **4:00 pm on July 10, 2012** and must include a biography and picture of



the candidate, as well as a \$250 refundable deposit fee in order to be accepted. The biographies will be circulated to the membership in the Accent and will also be included in the ballot mail - out. **Note:** *Once nomination papers are validated, candidates are required to meet at 5:00 pm on July 10, 2012 at the PEI UPSE office to review the policies and procedures for the election.*

The Presidential Nominations Committee will meet on July 10 to review all nomination forms. If more than one form is accepted, then an election will be called. The committee will then meet on **August 1 to mail out ballots** to all PEI UPSE members in good standing. Members will then have time to choose their preferred candidate and mail back their ballots by **August 29, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.** Two designated Presidential Election Committee members plus one scrutineer for each candidate, whose name must be given to the committee chair in advance, will meet at the Charlottetown post office at 8:30 a.m. on August 30 to pick up all ballots which are mailed in. The ballots will then be brought to a designated location to be counted by the committee members. The Chairperson will then notify all candidates with the election results.

What is a "Member in Good Standing?" *A member in good standing is any person who is: a) employed by a bargaining unit employer b) is paying dues, and c) has a signed membership card on file at the PEI UPSE office. **Note:** Members who have not received a ballot by August 8, 2012 may call the office to have a duplicate ballot mailed to their home address. No duplicate ballots will be issued before the 8th.*

The Accent is an internal publication of the Prince Edward Island Union of Public Sector Employees. Comments, questions, concerns and suggestions should be sent to: Mark Barrett, PEI UPSE Communications and Campaigns Officer, at mbarrett@peiupse.ca.

Note to members distributing The Accent:

Because the material contained in this publication is often of a time-sensitive nature, please post or distribute it as soon as possible.

PEI UPSE is proud to represent over 5000 members in the public and private sectors.

Call for nominations

Even numbered locals and vacancies

PEI UPSE's Membership Services Committee has issued a call for nominations for Board of Director positions in all even numbered locals as well as for vacant Director positions in locals 11,13,15 and 19.

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To be eligible for nomination as a Director a member must:

- be in good standing for at least the previous twelve months (1 yr.)
- be nominated by a member in good standing of the applicable local
- have completed the Welcome to PEI UPSE or equivalent course

All nominations must be received at the union office by 4:00 p.m. on **August 1, 2012**. If necessary, an election will be held by August 31, 2012.

Please print nomination forms from the union's website (www.peiupse.ca) or call PEI UPSE at 902-892-5335 or toll free at 1-800-897-8773.

Union policy outlines that a biography must be included with the nomination form (mandatory).

PEI UPSE's Family Fun Day

Sunday, July 22, 2012

The PEI Union of Public Sector Employees is sponsoring a Family Fun Day for members on Sunday, July 22, 2012. Tickets are **\$6 each** and can be purchased through your local director or by contacting the union office at **892-5335**, toll free at **1-800-897-8773**, or e-mail **peiupse@peiupse.ca**.



The Shining Waters Family Fun Park provides great summer fun for the whole family. Your ticket is valid only on Sunday, July 22, 2012 and food vouchers will be available at the gate for \$6. Children under thirty-six inches will not require a ticket. The Family Fun Park is open from 10 am to 7 pm - so come on out and enjoy some summer fun!

Note:

Tickets for Family Fun Day cannot be purchased at the door. They must be purchased in advance through your local Director or the PEI UPSE office.