

UNIFOR: LOCAL 25

Budget

Local 25 at its last membership meeting passed an activist budget with the stated goal to improve workplace visibility. One of the key provisions is that funding has been set aside to improve education initiatives, in particular to train new stewards, attend conferences, to build national relationships and to launch programs for in workplace meetings.

By-laws

This month Local 25 will commence a review of its by-laws in order to bring them up to the Unifor standard. If you are interested in getting to know how the local operates or desires to assist creating local by-laws, this is a fantastic opportunity to participate. We encourage anyone who may be interested or has questions about the process to contact their steward or a local union representative.

Stewarding

Shop stewards are a vital part of any unionized workplace. Stewards can help any union member learn their rights, exercise them effectively and empower their ability for positive change. Local 25 in its budget has passed provisions to ensure anyone who is a steward will be trained and given assistance in developing their skill sets. Becoming a steward will help anyone become more aware of the roles and responsibilities of both the employer and employee. The skill sets are transferable and will not only assist any individual in their current position but also grow a knowledge base for future career opportunities.

If you are interested in learning about stewarding and developing your skill sets or wish to recommend someone you think may make a great steward, please contact a Chief Steward. Please go to www.unifor25.com and click on contacts. Rob, Fred or Ken will be happy to assist.

Online Communications

During the last membership meeting it was determined it would be desirable to have at least once monthly email publication summarizing union events. In addition, there will be one monthly reminder email about membership meetings. Moreover, if anyone wishes to gain more information, please go to our website. Our twitter feed regularly updates with relevant news regarding the union movement and there is a section for questions to be submitted.

Next Local membership meeting: Wednesday March 4th, 6:00pm at 73 Richmond St West Unit 412.