

# District 2, Algoma

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S REPORT MAY 11, 2019

## **HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2018-2019**

#### PROVINCIAL VOTE 2018

The people of Ontario voted in a radically changed PC government from what was started at the beginning of the campaign. After Doug Ford took control of the party, silence ensued regarding what plans or agenda they were laying out to the people of Ontario. Fast forward to now, and you see what he and the backroom group had planned all along. Cuts to Education, Health Care, Social Services, and the disadvantaged. All for a certain group who are looking to make money off of this government, or privatizing these services. We all need to wake up – exert our force and hold the PC's accountable, or we will end up much like our neighbours to the south. A flawed education system, skyrocketing health care costs, and those most in need, left out.

#### **AMPA 2019**

This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the OSSTF Provincial Assembly - congratulations on attaining this historic event. There was a full complement of AMPA delegates from District 2 at AMPA 2019, and all were quite busy helping out with Malini Leahy's campaign – or scouting out all the other campaigns. There is never a dull moment at AMPA, and I want to say thank you to all who attended and gave of your time. Congratulations to Malini as she won her election and is now a Provincial Executive Officer. The TBU will miss you, but it's onward and upward. Congratulations to Caitlin Chiblow from WC Eaket SS. Caitlin was a Provincial winner of the Student Achievement Awards – in Honour of Marian Drysdale.

#### **BUILDING - OFFICE**

Not only was there a tremendous amount of snow to deal with this winter, one of the gas furnaces for the building had to be replaced, and the accounting computer finally gave out. Thanks Marnie for looking after things – all would be lost without you.

# CONFERENCES, AWARDS AND, APPRECIATION DINNER

The Leadership Conference notice is out, and Executives and Members have to get organized for this annual event.

# DISTRICT 2, ALGOMA - EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD DISTRICT 2, ALGOMA STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARD DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Notices regarding these awards has been sent. For further information, go to <a href="www.d02.osstf.ca">www.d02.osstf.ca</a>. The deadline for submissions is noted with each award/event. **Please consider nominating someone deserving of these Awards, where appropriate.** 

#### DISTRICT ANNUAL APPRECIATION DINNER

Not only is this the dinner where we recognize the Excellence in Education Award and the District President's Award winner, but it is a celebration of our appreciation for what you have done this year for District 2, Algoma. The dinner is being held on June 7, 2019 at the Marconi Hall. Contact the office by May 31<sup>st</sup>, if you are attending.

## DISTRICT EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

I want to thank all those who put their names forward for positions on the District Executive. It is nice to see that people are putting their names forward, and are willing to take on new tasks. Congratulations to all.

# THANK YOU

A special thank you to **Marnie Devoni-St. Germain, our Executive Assistant**. Marnie, you keep all of us organized, informed and handle the day to day things that need to be done. My sincere appreciation.

A big thanks to **Sari Gregorchuk**, **our Executive Assistant – Casual**. This year you had to step in and take on more responsibilities and help out more because of all the extra local and provincial initiatives. Keep on smiling.

To **Bargaining Unit Presidents** – Malini, Sharon, Liz and Bobbi – Jo. This has been a stressful year, and as always you have handled every situation in the professional manner with which each of you command. Thank you

To the **District Executive and Appointed Officers**, thank you for keeping things running smoothly for this District – each of you plays a vital role and without your guidance our Members would suffer.

# **DISTRICT – DONATIONS**

Each year we are able to support a variety of organizations and charities that help those in need in our local/surrounding communities. By doing so, our Members give back to those who need help and we are able to further our profile in all of our communities.

- ✓ Special Olympics Torch Run NHL Alumni Hockey Game
- ✓ Radio Ad Remembrance Day
- ✓ Radio Ad Christmas Message from OSSTF Members
- ✓ Canadian Legion Poppy Fund Remembrance Day wreath
- ✓ Kids Help Phone
- ✓ Children's Aid Society Adopt a Family for Christmas Program
- ✓ Police Retirees of Ontario Bear Program
- ✓ Heart and Stroke Foundation Volunteers' Appreciation Dinner (Algoma District volunteers)
- ✓ Children's Wish Foundation
- ✓ Sault Ste. Marie Women's Athletic Association
- ✓ Sault Pridefest

Yours In Federation Kevin Hogan, District President District 2, Algoma