



To: Presidents of Locals with Broader Public Service Units
Unit Stewards or Highest Ranking of Broader Public Service Units
All BPS Sector Executives

From: Warren (Smokey) Thomas, President

Date: September 4, 2009

Subject: 2009 Broader Public Service (BPS) Conference and Sector/Divisional Meetings

I invite you to attend the 2009 Broader Public Service (BPS) Conference and Sector/Divisional meeting. The conference will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 26th and 27th, 2009. The Doubletree Hotel is located at 655 Dixon Road, Toronto. Sector/Divisional meetings will start after the conference events on Friday afternoon and Saturday Nov. 28, 2009, at the hotel.

This year marks the 17th anniversary of the official recognition of the Broader Public Sector as an integral and distinct division in OPSEU. Our theme is Developing, Networking and Advocating in our communities (DNA). The core message is one of encouragement to all of our BPS Sectors to understand we are all in this together and how we can collectively work together to effect change in our locals and our communities. I hope you will take the opportunity to join us and meet with other members in your Sector and the other participants at the conference. It is a great time to learn new skills and you will come away from the conference with a feeling of solidarity with the rest of the BPS. You will identify goals and objectives around workplace issues and develop new expertise in dealing with those issues.

The delegate entitlement rules are explained in the attached call documents – please read them carefully. Delegate entitlement will be the same for both the BPS Conference and the Sector Divisional meetings. There will not be a separate call sent out for the Sector Divisional meetings.

The BPS conference also earmarks a new travel practice. For all members who will be attending the conference and travelling by air, you are directed to use Vision2000 in order to be reimbursed for your air travel expenses. By booking through Vision2000 it allows OPSEU the opportunity to get the best rates for our members when travelling on union business by optimizing on our volume.

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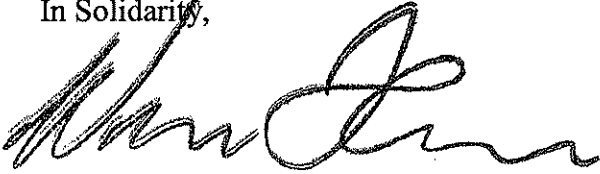
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The Sector Division meetings are an important part of this weekend. At the meetings you will determine the short and long-term goals of your Sector/Division and elect the leadership who will lead you in implementing them. Please see the schedule in the attached package to determine whether or not your Sector/Division will be meeting on Friday or Saturday.

I encourage you and your members to honour your delegate entitlement and attend this year's conference.

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Warren Thomas', written in a cursive style.

Warren (Smokey) Thomas
President

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Attachments

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