

# Convention

## Election

At its 32<sup>nd</sup> annual convention, OPSEU elected Warren (Smokey) Thomas its sixth president.

Thomas, 55, defeated two other candidates to replace Leah Casselman who retired after serving 12 years as OPSEU president.

“I look forward to working together with all the members and staff of OPSEU as we move this growing union into the future,” Thomas said.

Thomas, a long-time union activist and member of the OPSEU Executive Board, is a registered practical nurse from Kingston.

Patty Rout of Oshawa was elected the union's First Vice-President/Treasurer, defeating two other candidates.



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Welcome from John Cartwright



Honouring Louise Arbour



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## OPSEU Awards

Stanley Knowles  
Humanitarian Award  
Madam Justice  
Louise Arbour

Rainford Jackson  
Education and  
Development  
Fund Award

Native Women's  
Association of Canada

Health and  
Safety Awards

**Individual:** Frank Pezzutto,  
retiree, Local 662.

**Local:** Local 154, Windsor  
Court House, Ministry of  
Attorney General

Human Rights Award  
Carol McGregor:  
Advocate for human rights  
(posthumously)

Honorary Lifetime  
Membership Awards

Bob Reid  
Harry Plummer  
Len Hupet



Convention floor



College workers on stage

Departing Board members and former president Leah Casselman

The Rank'n'File Band

