



# IUOE Local 942 Newsletter

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## Collective Agreements Updates

Holland College EAP contract has been successful negotiated and ratified by the members at Holland College. A big thank you to Barbara Harris, Keely Gallant and Kelsey Compton for all their hard work and time.

PEI Fisherman's Association contract has also been successfully negotiated; we are awaiting on the ratification package to come from the Employer before taking it to the members for a vote. We are hoping to have the ratification vote soon. A big thank you to Melanie Giffin for all her help during the negotiations.

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## Executive Board - REPS

Welcome to new Executive Board members; Matthew Holwell and Tammy Harper from the Queens Region and Shania Ellsworth from the West. Thank you for joining the team and helping out!

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## Executive Board – NOMINATIONS

May and June are nomination months. If you interested in being on the Executive Board, please be sure to attend a Unit Meeting being held in your area. Dates for Unit meetings for your area will be posted. Positions that are open for nominations include: President, Vice President, Recording Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Conductor, Guard, Auditor (3) and trustee (3). Nomination forms and nomination regulations can be picked up or sent to you by the IUOE 942 Office or any current members of the board.

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## Education Fund

The Education fund allowance has been increased to \$1,500 per member. As well the Wellness part of the fund was opened up on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to include more wellness programs to help members deal with stress, reduce sick leave and to help increase productivity. This is a pilot program for one year and the Education Committee board still has final say in approving or denying requests.

For more information, please follow this link to the Education Fund page.

<https://iuoe942.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Ed-Fund-2020.pdf>

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## **EAP**

We encourage any staff who are dealing with mental health issues in these trying times to please access EAP programs. To see what EAP has to offer please follow this link;

<https://psc.gpei.ca/employee-assistance-program>

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## **National Standards for Long Term Care**

The COVID crisis has certainly shone a spot light on the discrepancies between public and private long term care homes. On April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 the PEI Health Coalition along with the Unions of PEI took part in a country wide call to the federal government for national standards to be put into place for all long term care homes both public and private.

For more information, please follow this link;

<https://www.healthcoalition.ca/april-27-national-day-of-action-canadians-united-for-long-term-care-standards/>

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