



# Local 568 Bulletin

Union news for members of OPSEU Local 568 at the Ontario Pension Board and OPTrust

Feb. 17, 2009

*Local General Membership Meeting, Feb. 25*

## Taking care of (local) business

**Y**our Local Executive Committee has called our first Local 568 General Membership Meeting for 2009. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb 25, starting at 5 p.m. sharp. Every OPSEU member at the OPB and OPTrust is encouraged to attend.

The meeting will deal with a number of key pieces of local union business including:

- Electing 1 local delegate and 2 alternates to the upcoming OPSEU Regional Meeting in March and the April OPSEU Convention
- Voting on any convention resolutions and/or constitutional amendments that the local wants to put forward for discussion at the OPSEU Convention
- Reviewing the Local's 2009 operating budget and the treasurer's report for 2008

- Hearing reports from the OPSEU units at OPTrust and the OPB.

Local meetings are an important opportunity to get the latest news on your union and your local and have your say on the local's business. See the box below for more details. Hope to see you there!

### OPSEU Convention

OPSEU's annual convention is our union's highest decision-making body. At the convention delegates from locals across the province come together to hear reports from the union's Executive Board, to debate the union's policy and to make decisions about our future direction. This year, the convention is taking place on April 23, 24 and 25 at the Sheraton Hotel in Toronto.

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## Local 568 - General Membership Meeting

**When: Wednesday, Feb. 25  
5 p.m. - 6 p.m.**

**Where: 1 Adelaide St. East  
P2 meeting room**



**\*\* Pizza, Juice and Pop Provided \*\***

**Planning to come?** Let us know by Tuesday, Feb. 24, so we can order enough food and drinks! To RSVP, please contact Sonia Baistrocchi (OPTrust), Pamela Blair (OPB), Myles Magner (OPTrust), or Frances Wu (OPB) – or send an e-mail message to [opseulocal568@yahoo.com](mailto:opseulocal568@yahoo.com).

**Note: With OPB and OPTrust now in separate buildings, we can no longer hold local general meetings at noon. We hope as many members as possible can attend at 5 p.m. See you there!**

# Local General Meeting

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Every second year, the convention also elects OPSEU's President and First Vice-President Treasurer for two year terms. This year is an election year for OPSEU. That means that as well as voting on policy resolutions and constitutional amendments, our local delegates to the convention will also be able to vote on who our leaders will be for the next two years.

## Regional Meeting

In an election year, delegates from every local also attend meetings in each of OPSEU's seven regions. On March 28, the Region 5 (Toronto region) meeting will elect our three members on the OPSEU Executive Board, including the region's Vice-President.

The regional meeting will also elect our representatives/delegates to:

- OPSEU's 3 convention committees,
- OPSEU's Provincial Human Rights Committee, Provincial Women's Committee and Provincial Young Worker's Committee, and
- The 2009 Ontario Federation of Labour convention and the 2010 convention of the National Union of Provincial and General Employees

## Electing our local delegates and alternates

Based on our current membership, Local 568 is entitled to send 2 delegates and 2 alternates to convention. Under OPSEU's Constitution, the local president (Myles Magner) is automatically the first delegate. The remaining delegate and the 2 alternates will be elected at the Local General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 25.

## Interested in running?

Any member of the local can stand for election as a local delegate or alternate, as long as you have signed an OPSEU membership card. To be nominated, just come to the meeting on February 25.

If you can't make it, simply fill out the nomination form below, sign it and ask a coworker to bring it to the meeting. Otherwise, drop off your form with any member of your Local Executive Committee before the meeting: Sonia Baistrocchi (OPTrust), Pamela Blair (OPB), Leigh Brain (OPTrust), Cheri Hearty (OPTrust), Myles Magner (OPTrust), or Frances Wu (OPB), Stephanie Young (OPB).

# Local 568 Nomination Form

Use this form to nominate someone – or be nominated yourself – for the position of delegate/alternate to the OPSEU Regional Meeting on Saturday March 28 and to the OPSEU Convention on April 24, 25 and 26. Just complete the form and return it Sonia Baistrocchi (OPTrust), Pamela Blair (OPB), Myles Magner (OPTrust), or Frances Wu (OPB) before the February 25 local general meeting.

## Part 1: To be completed by nominator

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ (print name) for the position of local delegate/alternate to the 2009 OPSEU Regional Meeting (Region 5) and the 2009 OPSEU Convention.

Nominator's Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Part 2: To be completed by candidate

I accept the nomination for the position(s) noted above.

Candidate's Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_