

CONVENTION CALL

61st ANNUAL CONVENTION Fredericton Inn April 17-20,2024

To: All Affiliated Local Unions, Provincial Councils and Provincial Occupational Groups

In accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of CUPE New Brunswick, you are hereby notified that the 61st Annual Convention of CUPE New Brunswick will be held at Fredericton Inn April 17-20th ,2024.

DATES AND TIMES

Wednesday, April 17th

11am- Registration

11:30 a.m. New delegate orientation

1pm - Convention Commences

5-5:30pm- Adjournment

6:30-10pm- Social Evening

Thursday, April 18th

9am- Convention resumes

12-1:30pm- lunch break

1:30pm- Convention resumes

4pm- 15 minute break

4:15pm- Standing Committee Elections

Friday, April 19th

8am- National Officers Breakfast

9am - Convention resumes

12-1:30pm- lunch break

1:30 - Convention resumes

4:30 – Election Candidate Forum upon adjournment

9pm-1am- Dance

Saturday, April 20th

9am - Convention resumes

- Election of Officers
- Adjournment

Representation

- From local unions paying per capita on 100 members or less - two (2) delegates and one (1) additional delegate for each additional 100 members or portion thereof. See table provided.
- From District Councils or Provincial Councils of Unions, or Provincial Occupational Groups, the basis of representation shall be one (1) delegate per Provincial Council or group. Representation from District Councils or Provincial Councils of Unions or Provincial Occupational Groups must hold membership in an affiliated CUPE local union that is paying per capita tax to CUPE New Brunswick.

Credential Forms

Credential forms have been enclosed based on your local's per capita payments to CUPE NB. Please send the white copy to the address shown. The

yellow copy is to be retained by the delegate. Alternate delegates may be named and may attend but without voice or vote unless replacing an absent delegate.

Registration

You can register your delegates by mail or via the CUPE NB website. **Register prior to March 1st, 2024** to help us in our planning and to allow sufficient materials to be prepared and sent to delegates in advance.

Fees

The registration fee is \$125.00 for each delegate or alternate delegate attending. If you register by mail, enclose your cheque with the delegate forms. If you register online, please mail payment to Secretary Treasurer Kimberly Copp as registration fees must be paid at the time of registration. Please make cheques payable to "CUPE New Brunswick".

Observer's Registration – information and form enclosed.

Resolutions and Constitutional Amendments

All resolutions to be considered at the convention must have been submitted prior to January 17th, 2024 according to Constitution and By-Laws, Article 4.7. All resolutions must be signed by the presiding officer and secretary of the affiliate. Resolution forms went out by mail and also by email to your provincial presidents in December. Emergency resolutions dealing with matters that have arisen less than ninety (90) days prior to the opening of the convention may be considered only with the consent of a two-thirds majority vote of the Convention.

Accommodations

A block of rooms has been reserved at Fredricton Inn with rates as follows;

DUS – Drive Up with One Queen Bed - \$109

DS – One Queen Bed and Sofa Bed - \$119

DT - Two Queen Beds - \$129

EK - King in the Tower - \$139

ES - One Queen Bed in the Tower - \$139

Fredericton Inn | frederictoninn.nb.ca 1315 Regent Street | Fredericton, NB E3C 1A1 | (506)455-1430

Convention Assistance Fund

To be eligible for the fund, locals will have the following criteria:

- With an average membership of fifty (50) members from the previous twelve (12) months
- Less than \$15,000 in their bank account
- 1.5% dues structure
- An up to date Trustees Report
- Local must be in good standing
- Must be affiliated to CUPE NB
- A local attending CUPE NB Convention with the assistance of CUPE NB shall only be eligible to send one delegate.
- The local will receive a reimbursement of 75% of the cost of registration, lost wages, hotel, travel and meals.
- Priority Consideration shall be given to locals that have not previously received assistance.

Mail cheques prior to March 1st, 2024 to:

Kimberly Copp Secretary-Treasurer CUPE New Brunswick 30 Caledonia Mountain Road Hopewell Hill, NB E4H 3K6

Email; kimcopp16@gmail.com

Locals in Arrears

<u>CUPE New Brunswick requirement:</u> To be entitled to representation at the Convention, a local union shall have its per capita to <u>CUPE NB</u> paid up to and including the month of <u>December 2023</u>.

<u>CUPE National requirement:</u> Article 6.7 of the CUPE National Constitution stipulates that any organization in arrears for two or more months to CUPE National will not be allowed representation to conventions at any level of the Canadian Union of Public Employees. This means locals must be paid to *CUPE National* up to and including the month of *January* 2024.

Convention information

For updates and information, or to register on-line, visit

www.cupenb.ca

In solidarity, Sister Kimberly Copp CUPE New Brunswick Secretary Treasurer

Please bring a non- perishable food item for the local food bank!! Together we can all make a difference $^{\circ}$

Standing Committees/Comités Convention Elections 2024

	EDUCATION	COMMIT	TEE/COMITÉ	D'ÉDUCATION
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VACANT	Scott Jones Elected Term ends 2025 scottbodys@aim.com	Parise St-Onge (2745) National Literacy Committee parise.st-onge@nbed.nb.ca	Jason Tower CUPE NB Liaison Jtower75@hotmail.com
	National Post-Secondary Michelle Brewer (L 2266) m.brewer@live.ca	National Library Comm Natalie LeBlanc (L 2745) dlag1948@gmail.com	Louise Firlotte, Staff Advisor Ifirlotte@cupe.ca
CONTRACTING-OUT COMM	IITTEE/COMITÉ SUR LA SOUS-1	RAITANCE	
VACANT	Justin Spooner (L824) Elected Term ends 2025 <u>Justin.spooner824@gmail.com</u>	Chris Watson (L 380) National Committee christopher_watson@live.ca	Jamie Agnew CUPE NB Liaison 963prez@gmail.com
			Staff Advisor: Andrew Woodcock awoodcock@cupe.ca

	AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE	JUNITE SANTE, SECURITE E	IENVIRONNEMENI
VACANT	Allen Copp (L824) Elected term ends 2025 ac.albertcounty@hotmail.com	Serge Plourde (L 4193) National Environnent Committee ksplourd@rogers.com	Serge Plourde CUPE NB Liaison ksplourd@rogers.com
		Connie Haines (L 1121) National Health & Safety Comm connie@1253.ca	Patrick Roy, Staff Advisor H&S Representative proy@cupe.ca

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE/COMITÉ DES DROITS DE LA PERSONNE

VACANT	Shelley Vesey(L2745) Elected term ends 2025 shelley@cupe2745.net	National Young Workers Comm Vacant	National Indigenous Council Mary Guptill (L1418) Mary.gup 97@yahoo.com
Todd Hill (2745) National Pink Triangle Committee todd.hill@nbed.nb.nca	VACANT National Rainbow Committee	Abby Bourque-Coyle (1418) National Disabilities Committee abbybc@icloud.com	Staff advisor Marie-Gabrielle Gagnon mgagnon@cupe.ca

Ryan Wentworth CUPE NB Liaison <u>ryanwnwentworth@gmail.com</u>
PENSION AND INSURED BENEFITS COMMITTEE/COMITÉ SUR LES PENSIONS ET AVANTAGES SOCIAUX

VACANT	Josh Smith (L1418) Elected term ends 2025 Smith-joshua@hotmail.com	Marilyn MacCormack (2745) National Pensions Committee marilyn@cupe2745.net	Iris Lloyd CUPE NB Liaison president@1253.ca
			Staff Advisor: Gab Ross-Marquette grossmarquette@cupe.ca

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE/COMITÉ DE LA FEMME

VACANT	Rachel Comeau(L2745) Elected term ends 2025 Rackhelle.comeau@nbed.nb.ca	Leah Morehouse (L 2745) National Women's Committee leah@cupe2745.net	Sharon Teare (NBCNHU) CUPE NB Liaison nbcnhu-csfsnb@bellaliant.net
		Kimberly Copp (2610) National Childcare Committee Kimcopp16@gmail.com	Staff advisor; Tamara Elisseou telisseou@cupe.ca

GLOBAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE/COMITÉ SUR LA JUSTICE MONDIALE

VACANT	Caroline Dominique (L889) Elected term ends 2025 Carolinedominique.local889@hotmail.com	Darlene Hanson (L 2745) National Global Justice Committee Darlene.hanson@nbed.nb.ca	Jill Greene CUPE NB Liaison Jillgreene24@gmail.com
			Gérald LeBlanc, Staff Advisor

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE/COMITÉ D'ACTION POLITIQUE

VACANT	Tammy Nadeau (L1603) Elected term ends 2025 Tammydenis.nadeau@gmail.com	Bryan Harris (L 4848) National Political Action Comm brymharris@gmail.com	Steve Drost CUPE NB Liaison sdrost@cupe.ca
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Convention Standing Committee Elections 2024

- <u>Education Committee</u> (2 year term) as Sister Chantal Montreuil's term has ended
- <u>Contracting-Out Committee</u> (2 year term) as Brother Darcy Barker's term has ended
- Health, Safety and Environment (2 year term) as Sister Sonia Gibb's term has ended
- Human Rights Committee (2 year term) as Sister Shirley Basque's term has ended
- Pension and Insured Benefits Committee (2 year term) as Sister Jeanette Curtis's term has ended
- Women's Committee (2 year term) as Sister Carrie Cahill's term has ended
- Global Justice Committee (2 year term) as Brother Marc Surette's term has ended
- Political Action Committee (2 year term) as Brother Lorn Martin's term has ended

2024 CONVENTION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

LOCAL NAME			
CONTACT PERSON (name and title)			
MAILING ADDRESS			
TELEPHONE	Home:	Cell:	
E-MAIL			

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- Priority will be given to locals who have not attended convention in the last five (5) years.

Answer all questions below and include requested documents application.	with you	ır
1. Include a list of how many members your local had each month fr December $31^{\rm st}$, 2023.	om Janua	ary 1 st to
2. Does your local have less than \$15,000.00 in its' bank account? Include a copy of the locals December 2023 bank statement.	☐ Yes	□ No
3. Is your local's dues structure 1.5%?	☐ Yes	□ No
4. Include trustees report for the 12-month period ended December	31 st , 202	3.
5. Is your local in good standing with CUPE NB?	□Yes	□No
6. Is your local affiliated with CUPE NB?	□Yes	□No

Based on current costs, what would be the cost to your local union of sending a delegate to the 2024 Annual CUPE NB Convention?

Travel to/from		\$
Hotel accommodations		\$
Per diem/meal allowance		\$
Registration fee		\$ 125.00
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Lost wages and benefits	(# days X \$ per day)	\$

Mail or email registrations and all requested documents prior to March $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$, 2024 to:

KIMBERLY COPP CUPE New Brunswick 30 Caledonia Mountain Road Hopewell Hill, NB E4H 3K6

E-mail: kimcopp16@gmail.com

March 1st , 2024 is the deadline for applications



CUPE NB HEALTH AND SAFETY AWARD 2024



CUPE NB's Health Safety and Environment Committee is pleased to announce we will be presenting our fifth Annual CUPE NB Health and Safety Award at our CUPE NB Convention this upcoming April 17-20th, 2024. The award winner will receive a commemorative plaque.

Do you know an individual who has made a significant Health and Safety contribution?

- Whose actions have helped others;
- Whose activities have solved problems, achieved important victories, established precedents, improved workplace conditions, helped to recognize occupational illness or disease;
- Who is a CUPE member in good standing or a CUPE retired member;
- Who is a Health and Safety leader and activist;

CUPE NB would like to hear from you!

Deadline for nominations is <u>March 1st, 2024</u> and the following information has to be submitted:

Nominee Information:

Nominations may be made by a Local Union and must be signed and supported by the Local President. If the Local President is the nominee, then the Vice-president will sign in their place.

If no nominations are received by the March 1st, 2024 deadline, the CUPE NB Division Executive may submit a nomination to the CUPE NB Health Safety and Environment Committee.

NAME OF NOMINEE:
MAILING ADDRESS/NUMBER AND STREET:
CITY/PROVINCE AND POSTAL CODE:
TELEPHONE: (HOME) (CELL)
OCCUPATION: LOCAL UNION NUMBER:
IF RETIRED, OCCUPATION WHEN EMPLOYED:
HOW MANY YEARS HAS THE NOMINEE BEEN A CUPE MEMBER?
Instructions for Nomination:
Please provide us with any letters of support and all relevant information on the contributions to health and safety and the benefits of these contributions. It is preferred that the information be provided in point form using a time-line format.
Relevant information may include any activities performed within the local union, provincial division, Federation of labour, CUPE National, CLC, government councils and boards, safety associations, international groups, WCB and any other activities that contributed to the advancement of health and safety. Please limit to 2500 words.
Submitted by:
NAME:
MAILING ADDRESS / NUMBER AND STREET:
CITY/PROVINCE and POSTAL CODE:
TELEPHONE: (HOME) (CELL)
EMAIL ADDRESS:
NAME/NUMBER OF SUPPORTING LOCAL:
SIGNATURE OF LOCAL'S PRESIDENT:

Submissions may be mailed to: Kimberly Copp, CUPE NB Secretary-treasurer, 30 Caledonia Mountain Road, Hopewell Hill NB, E4H 3K6 OR email to: kimcopp16@gmail.com



CUPE NB Women in Leadership Award 2024

The CUPE NB Women in Leadership Award provides official recognition to a deserving Sister, affiliated with CUPE NB, who is currently serving the trade union movement in a leadership role, with distinction and in doing so has shown good leadership within CUPE.

This award pays homage to a Sister who:

Strives to promote CUPE and exemplifies CUPE'S policies and practices and builds active and engaged members;

Demonstrates strong leadership on issues that face CUPE members;

Works within CUPE to better workers lives in New Brunswick.

Nominations can be submitted in writing by March 1st, 2024 describing this Sister's involvement and why your Local feels she should be considered for this award to: the CUPE NB Secretary Treasurer Kimberly Copp, 30 Caledonia Mountain Road, Hopewell Hill, N.B. E4H 3K6 or email: kimcopp16@gmail.com

The recipient for the CUPE NB Women in Leadership Award will be announced at the 2024 CUPE NB Convention in Fredericton.

In solidarity,

CUPE NB Women's Committee



APPLICATON FOR ON-SITE CHILD CARE



(Please print)

NAME OF DELEGATE:						
LOCAL UNION NUMBER:					P. C.	
ADDRESS:						
CITY:	PROVINCE:					
POSTAL CODE:				**************************************		
TELEPHONE – HOME :			WOR	K:		
FAX:	E-MAIL:					
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NAME OF CHILD(REN)	AGE	LANGUAGE SPOKEN		ALLERGIES	SPECIAL NEEDS (Diet, medical, etc.)	
1	DATE OF BIRTH	English	French	Both		incuredly etc.,
OTHER SPECIAL INFORM	IATION:					

EMAIL: kimcopp16@gmail.com

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SEND TO:

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MARCH

CUPE NEW BRUNSWICK 30 Caledonia Mountain Road Hopewell Hill , NB E4H 3K6





CUPE NB YOUTH CAMP 2023 APPLICATION

At CUPE NB CONVENTION

April 17-20th, 2024 - Fredericton Inn

Do you have a child between the ages of 11 and 14 that would be interested in attending CUPE NB's first ever YOUTH CAMP during convention?

What is CUPE NB Youth Camp About?
It is a program suitable for this age group providing education and activities on CUPE and the broader labour movement to our youths.

We promise lots of fun, activities and education for your children when they join you at convention!

Lunch provided!

We look forward to meeting your child!!

NAME:	
AGE:	
INTERESTS and HOBBIES:	
ALLERGIES:	
PARENTS NAME and LOCAL #	

Mail application to:

Kimberly Copp CUPE New Brunswick 30 Caledonia mountain Road Hopewell Hill, NB E4H 3K6

E-mail: kimcopp16@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION MARCH 1, 2024

CUPE-SCFP

CODE OF CONDUCT

The mandate of our union, the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), is to organize and defend workers and to promote economic and social justice for our members and for all workers. In carrying out our work, we in CUPE strive to promote our core values which include the principles of solidarity, equality, democracy, integrity, and respect. We are committed to mobilizing our energy and skills to work together to promote these values and to attain these goals in our union, our communities, and globally.

CUPE is committed to creating a union which is inclusive, welcoming, and free from harassment, discrimination and all types of bullying and intimidation. CUPE needs to ensure that we provide a safe environment for members, staff and elected officers to carry out our work. CUPE's expectation is that mutual respect, understanding and co-operation will be the basis of all our interaction.

The Code of Conduct sets out standards of behaviour for participants at national convention, national conferences, schools, meetings, and all other events organized by CUPE National. It is consistent with the expectations outlined in the Equality Statement and the CUPE National Constitution.

This Code of Conduct is intended to deal with complaints of inappropriate behaviour at events organized by CUPE National. It does not apply to complaints arising in the workplace, as those are dealt with through the grievance procedure and/or the applicable workplace harassment policy.

As CUPE members, staff, and elected officers, we commit to one another and to the union to be governed by the principles of the Code of Conduct and agree to:

- Abide by the provisions of the Equality Statement.
- Respect the views of others, even when we disagree.
- Recognize and value individual differences.
- Communicate openly.
- Support and encourage each other.
- Make sure that we do not harass or discriminate against each other.
- Commit to not engaging in offensive comment or conduct.
- Make sure that we do not act in ways that are aggressive, bullying, or intimidating.
- Take responsibility for not engaging in inappropriate behaviour due to abuse of alcohol or other drugs while participating in union activities, including social events.

Harassment is objectionable behaviour which may include actions, language, gestures, and/or written material, and which the harasser knows or ought reasonably to know is abusive and unwelcome. Bullying is a form of harassment which is serious ongoing behaviour which targets an individual or group and which threatens that person or persons' mental and/or physical well-being.

A complaint regarding the Code of Conduct will be handled as follows:

- 1. If possible, a member may attempt to deal directly with the person alleged to have engaged in behaviour contrary to the Code, by asking him/her to stop such behaviour. If that is not possible, or if it does not resolve the problem, a member may bring forward a complaint.
- 2. At national convention, national conferences, schools, meetings, and all other events organized by CUPE National, a complaint shall be brought to the attention of an ombudsperson.
- 3. If the complaint involves a staff member, it shall be referred to the appropriate director for investigation and the complaint shall be dealt with in accordance with the applicable staff collective agreement.
- 4. Once a complaint is received, the ombudsperson will work to seek a resolution.
- 5. If this fails to resolve the matter, the ombudsperson shall report the matter to the person in charge, who shall determine whether there is need to remove the member. The person in charge has the authority to expel members from the event for serious or persistent offenses.
- 6. At CUPE National events where an ombudsperson is not available, a person properly appointed and designated to be in charge shall receive the complaint. Depending on the nature of the problem, the person in charge may attempt to resolve it through conflict resolution. If this fails to resolve the matter, the person in charge shall determine whether there is a need to remove the member. The person in charge has the authority to expel members from the event for serious or persistent offenses.
- 7. If the person in charge is a party to the complaint, the director or designate shall assume that role.
- 8. In a case where a member has been expelled from an event, the National President shall receive a report on the matter.

This Code of Conduct is designed to create a safe, respectful and supportive environment within CUPE. It is meant to enhance the rights and obligations outlined in the CUPE National Constitution, the Equality Statement, and applicable human rights legislation, not replace them.

CUPE National encourages all chartered organizations to develop and adopt a Code of Conduct based on this model, to apply to conventions, conferences, schools and meetings which they organize.

The above Code of Conduct arises from the National Women's Task Force (NWTF) report, and Resolution 209 adopted at the 2007 National Convention.



EQUALITY STATEMENT

Union solidarity is based on the principle that union members are equal and deserve mutual respect at all levels. Any behaviour that creates conflict prevents us from working together to strengthen our union.

As unionists, mutual respect, cooperation and understanding are our goals. We should neither condone nor tolerate behaviour that undermines the dignity or self-esteem of any individual or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment.

Discriminatory speech or conduct which is racist, sexist, transphobic or homophobic hurts and thereby divides us. So too, does discrimination on the basis of ability, age, class, religion, language and ethnic origin.

Sometimes discrimination takes the form of harassment. Harassment means using real or perceived power to abuse, devalue or humiliate. Harassment should not be treated as a joke. The uneasiness and resentment that it creates are not feelings that help us grow as a union.

Discrimination and harassment focus on characteristics that make us different; and they reduce our capacity to work together on shared concerns such as decent wages, safe working conditions, and justice in the workplace, society and in our union.

CUPE's policies and practices must reflect our commitment to equality. Members, staff and elected officers must be mindful that all persons deserve dignity, equality and respect.

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National President

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National Secretary-Treasurer

DAY OF MOURNING APRIL 28, 2024



April 28th is the National Day of Mourning

To honour those who have lost their lives or were injured at the workplace

The CUPE NB Health Safety and Environment Committee encourage all locals to participate in events held within their communities as well as bring awareness by wearing the black ribbon to work this day.

"A safe and healthy workplace is a basic human right. The goal of Health and Safety is that each and every worker returns home unharmed to their family at the end of every workday".



CONVENTION DELEGATES ALLOTTED PER LOCAL

Local Members (number)	Delegates Allotted
1-100	2
101-200	3
201-300	4
301-400	5
401-500	6
501-600	7
601-700	8
701-800	9
801-900	10
901-1000	11
1001-1100	12
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3001-3100	32
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