

Report of Men's Action Support Committee (MASC)

MASC held five committee meetings during 2012: February 28, June 26, August 28, October 23 and December 13 2012. During these meetings, we planned our year's activities, held elections, and discussed issues important to the committee.

Our elections held at the June 26, 2012 meeting resulted in the following:

- Chair - Peter Hyduk
- Vice Chair - John Jedrasik
- Secretary - Michel Tondreau
- Treasurer - John Murphy

We have participated in many Union and outreach activities during 2012; including preparation and assistance when our members were available. Highlights include:

- March 1 - "Protecting our Jobs"; Demonstration and March
- March 8 - "Pink Slips Campaign"; plus we were joined by the Ottawa Womens Committee. We helped them prepare signage and pink slips for this campaign;
- April 30 to May 4 - PSAC Convention, plus staffing a kiosk which included a MASC slide show display and associated information book;
- May 4 - outreach and support to the "Ride for Dads" campaign;
- August 28 - Outreach to the PSAC equity committees, held at the residence of Alex Sauve, joined by members of MDAC and OWC;
- September 3 - Labour Day Parade;
- September 3 - Outreach Campaign in Copper Cliff, Sudbury with the Steel Workers Union Local;
- September 6 to 10 - PSAC kiosk at the Ottawa Folk Festival; and,
- September 15 - PSAC Day of Action Campaign.
- December 8 - Support to the MDAC event for the International Day for Persons With Disabilities.
- December 19 - Outreach - Financial support to The Mission for their Christmas Dinner function through the purchase of 108 dinners.
- December 20 - Outreach - Visiting and supporting Single Fathers at the Bayshore Shelter to help their families during the holiday season during December 2012, plus single shut-in men at the Kanata Lakes retirement facility.

We also extend our appreciation to Carlin Dautre, our Regional Representative.

In solidarity

Peter Hyduk,
MASC Chair

January 15, 2013
Date