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Member at large

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Dear Sisters, Brothers and Comrades,

Since my election, I have been involved in many activities. Please find below the details.

Equité Outaouais: I have established contact with the group and participated to a meeting with the organization to see how I could be of service. They are working actively on getting the Outaouais region health services properly financed by the Government of Quebec. It is a fact that the region of Outaouais is receiving the lowest amount of financial support not only for health services but also for social justice, art and culture, community services. We have a large number of our members who are directly affected by this situation. Our union will be asked to contribute to support their work to pursue research that will allow all the least financed regions to unite to have a stronger voice to make things change. I am waiting to get the date of the next meeting at the moment.

Committees: I am actively involved into the ORWC and the PRIDE committee and attend meetings. I try to bring suggestions of actions that can be done as well as support the committees in their decisions. I am in favor of donations to organizations for women or for the LGBTQ2+ but I also try to promote more visibility to our committees. Ex: Zoom conversations with women one a month until this summer. (May start again after discussing the subject with the ORWC at the next meeting)

For the PRIDE committee, my work on the subject of an inclusive Pow Wow has just recently evolved. I presented a motion to the committee that remains to be passed. If passed, the PRIDE committee will not only contribute financially to the organization of the Silver Lake Pow Wow (the only one of its kind in our region) but also have a presence for PSAC-NCR next summer 2022, COVID permitting.

I am very happy about how the communication evolves between the organization committee for the Silver Lake Pow Wow. I hope that our members are going to a chance to access a great event.

I am an ally and a friend of the Indigenous communities and have participated to the July 1st march and two other events representing our union with Brother Silas and other members of the PSAC-NCR.

Voilà! This is my report!

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