

Ottawa Regional Women's Committee Report January 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017

The Committee was very busy for the first 6 months of the year, starting with our annual potluck meeting. Over the course of our first few meetings, we heard from guest speakers about developing and supporting women in politics, and we participated in the PSAC Equity Conference. We also participated in the Women's March, which became an international rally for women's rights. We supported and attended various International Women's Day events, including the annual OFL dinner and other community events such as Beyond Borders: A Night of Feminist Resistance and the Racially Visible Action Committee's panel to discuss the role of unions in eradicating racism and Islamophobia. We then turned our attention to preparing for the regional and component conventions by learning about how to identify and support women leaders. After a well-deserved break over the summer, we are focussing on upcoming events, especially the Take Back the Night rally on September 21 and the December 6 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Keays
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