

The OPT AGM May 13, 2021 starting at 5:30.

This is an election year. *By-Law 5 – Elections*

5.1 Only Active Members, in good standing, of the OPT Bargaining Unit may be candidates for office.

5.2 Elections for Executive Positions shall be by secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting.

5.3 The Secretary of the Bargaining Unit shall bring forward a list of candidates for election to the Bargaining Unit Executive at the Annual General Meeting.

5.4 Candidates who wish their names to appear on the ballot may indicate their intention to run for office by submitting their name, supported by two (2) other Members' signatures, to the Secretary of the Bargaining Unit at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the election.

**5.5 Any member of the Bargaining may be nominated "from the floor" supported by two (2) other members as the mover and seconder of the motion to nominate.**

5.6 Elections for Executive shall be in the order listed in Article 4 of the Constitution.

5.7 Everyone on the Bargaining Unit Executive shall be elected by a simple majority vote of those members present, qualified to vote and voting.

5.7.1 In any Election where after a particular ballot a further ballot may be necessary, the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped from succeeding ballots.

5.8 Defeated candidates shall be considered for other offices if they choose.

5.9 The term of office of the Bargaining Unit Executive shall be for two years, from July 1 to June 30.

*Article 4 – Organization of the Bargaining Unit*

4.1 There shall be a Bargaining Unit Executive consisting of the following voting members:

4.1.1 President

4.1.2 First Vice President/Grievance Officer

4.1.3 Second Vice President

4.1.4 Chief Negotiator

4.1.5 Secretary

4.1.6 Treasurer

4.1.7 One Area Rep for each of the five (5) Organizational Areas.

**4.1.8 Other Bargaining Unit Officers shall be non-voting members deemed necessary by the Bargaining Unit Executive. Bargaining Unit Officers shall include:**

**1. Health and Safety Officer(s)**

2. Education Services Officers (1 for Office Professionals, 1 for Technical Staff)
3. The Benefits Officer.
4. The District Treasurer
5. The Constitution Officer

4.1.9.1 The above named Officers except for the District Treasurer shall be appointed by the OPT Executive from volunteers solicited from the General Membership.