

## **BY -LAWS - LOCAL 80081**

### **Indigenous and northern affairs Canada**

**(Sep 30th, 2016)**

#### **Local Bylaw 1: Name**

This organization is known as Local 80081 (Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada) of the Union of National Employees (UNE), PSAC.

#### **Local Bylaw 2: Aims and objectives**

##### *Bylaw 2 Section 1*

This Local will protect, maintain and advance the interests of the employees of the Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada under its jurisdiction.

##### *Local Bylaw 2 Section 2*

This Local unconditionally subscribes to, and accepts as its governing documents, the Constitution of PSAC and the bylaws of the UNE.

##### *Local Bylaw 2 Section 3*

This Local fully supports PSAC in its efforts to improve and protect the wages, salaries and other terms and conditions of employment of all PSAC members.

#### **Local Bylaw 3: Membership**

People eligible for membership will be employees of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada in the jurisdiction of the local, and are also members of the UNE of PSAC. The jurisdiction of this local may be as assigned from time to time by the UNE. In situations where disputes arise regarding jurisdiction, the national executive will be called upon to render a decision.

#### **Local Bylaw 4: Membership dues**

##### *Local Bylaw 4 Section 1*

The amount of dues payable to PSAC and the UNE will be in accordance with the provisions of the PSAC Constitution and the bylaws of the Union of National Employees, as determined by each group's respective conventions.

##### *Local Bylaw 4 Section 2*

In addition, local dues will be set as a flat rate per member, per month. The local will inform the UNE of any changes to its dues, with supporting minutes as evidence. (Members may obtain information regarding their local dues on the UNE website.)

##### *Local Bylaw 4 Section 3*

The local may amend its membership dues by a majority vote of its members present and voting at an annual, regular or special meeting, provided that the local has posted notice of this motion at least 30 days before the meeting date.

#### **Local Bylaw 5: Local executive**

##### *Local Bylaw 5 Section 1*

The term of office for the local executive will be Two Years

##### *Local Bylaw 5 Section 2*

The executive officers of this local will consist of, but not be limited to, those listed in UNE Bylaw 3, Section 4. (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Human Rights Representative and Occupational Health and Safety Representative)

*Local Bylaw 5 Section 3*

Vacancies on the local executive that last for less than six months will be filled on an interim basis by the local executive's remaining members. Vacancies that will last for more than six months will be filled by election at a special or general meeting of the local. This meeting can be held no later than 45 days from the date at which the local executive became aware of the vacancy.

*Local Bylaw 5 Section 4*

For the role of the position of local president, see UNE Policy LOC 8.

*Local Bylaw 5 Section 5*

For the role of the position of local vice-president, see UNE Policy LOC 8.

*Local Bylaw 5 Section 6*

For the role of the position(s) of local secretary and treasurer, see UNE Policy LOC 8.

*Local Bylaw 5 Section 7*

For the role of the position of local health and safety representative, see UNE Policy LOC 8.

*Local Bylaw 5 Section 8*

For the role of the position of local human rights representative, see UNE Policy LOC 8.

**Local Bylaw 6: Finances**

*Local Bylaw 6 Section 1*

No officers of this local may enter into any financial contractual understanding of agreement without prior approval by the national executive, or incur any expenses on behalf of the local in excess of \$500.00 without the prior approval of a majority of the members present at a regular monthly or special meeting.

*Local Bylaw 6 Section 2*

For audited annual statements, see UNE Bylaw 5, Section 9.

*Local Bylaw 6 Section 3*

Locals will approve at least three and no more than five signing officers—one of whom is normally the local's treasurer—who may hold signing authority for the local's bank withdrawals. Each cheque issued by the local will carry signatures from two of these officers to be valid. Amendments to these administrative arrangements should be made with the local's bank or credit union after new officers are elected.

**Local Bylaw 7: Meetings**

*Local Bylaw 7 Section 1*

The local's elected officers will hold at least six regularly scheduled executive meetings each year. These meetings will be held to ensure the local properly conducts its business on matters such as collective bargaining, labour-management relations, human rights and health and safety promotion, and consideration and maintenance of membership lists.

*Local Bylaw 7 Section 2*

In Addition to the Annual General Meeting (AGM), at least one extra meeting of the local's membership will be held during the year and then as necessary through the year.

*Local Bylaw 7 Section 3*

Following a 30-day notice of meeting, the quorum for a general membership meeting will be at least five (5) members in good standing including the Local President (or his/her designate) and at least one (1) other executive member.

*Local Bylaw 7 Section 4*

The local's president, a majority of its executive officers or a petition of at least 10 of members in good standing may call a special meeting of the Local. Reasonable notice of this meeting will be provided.

*Local Bylaw 7 Section 5*

An annual membership meeting will be held in accordance with the UNE bylaws for the purpose of receiving annual reports, electing officers and considering other business.

*Local Bylaw 7 Section 6*

Elections will be conducted by secret ballot and will proceed in the order of PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER, HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER, HUMAN RIGHTS.

**Local Bylaw 8: Amending local bylaws**

*Local Bylaw 8 Section 1*

A local's bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at an annual membership meeting, provided 30 days' notice of the meeting has been issued and posted.

*Local Bylaw 8 Section 2*

All amendments and corresponding annual general meeting minutes must be forwarded to the Manager of Administration, Union of National Employees.

**For further information related to local issues, please see:**

Bylaw 3, Sections 4,8,14 and 15—*Election of Officers*

Bylaw 4, Sections 14 – Local dues

Bylaw 5—*Money and finances*

Policy FIN 2—*Financial assistance for locals/members*

Policy LOC 8 – *Duties of Local Officers*