

2009-2011 REPORT OF THE AFL HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

The 2009-2011 Committee for AFL Health and Safety Committee has met on a regular basis, talking about various health and safety issues.

POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

The bulk of the Committee's efforts have gone into an effort to lobby the provincial government to try and get mandatory joint health and safety committees as part of our legislation here in Alberta.

The Postcard Campaign was concluded with the delivery of more than 2,500 postcards to the Legislature by Gil McGowan, President of the Alberta Federation of Labour, on October 25, 2010. There was a mailing to all postcard respondents who requested additional updates, expressing the Federation's gratitude for their participation, along with a form letter to

use asking the government to mandate joint health and safety committees in Alberta workplaces.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD

The Committee continues to support efforts by the Labour Coalition on WCB to raise a number of concerns at the WCB, including maximum insurable earnings, Board appointments, certificates of recognition process, ending bonuses for WCB workers who deny claims, raising premiums for most dangerous industries, and posting of actual records on line.

JOINT COMMITTEES

The Committee is working towards a joint conference with the AFL Education Committee and Women's Committee on harassment and violence in the workplace.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee,

AFL HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE, 2009-2011

James Hawreliak, Chair	IBEW 424
Roy Milne, Secretary	USW 1595
Diane Lowe, Council Liaison	HSAA
Lisa Byard	CUPE 8
Mike Painchaud	CUPW-Edm.
Cam Sherk	UFCW 401
Betty Lockhurst	TWU
Sandra Zak	UNA
Larry Dionne, Alternate	CUPW-Edm.
Marianne Burstyn, Alternate	HSAA
Gil McGowan (information)	AFL
Nancy Furlong (information)	AFL

Committee Members who served a partial term:

Steve Kerrigan, Council Liaison	CEP 455
John O'Callaghan	PSAC 30001
Wayne Parent	UUWA
Greg Turlock	UUWA
Jason Foster	AFL Resource
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