

Estrie/Bois-francs Area Council report Region 1

As president of the Estrie/Bois-Francs Area Council for the past 4 years, I am pleased to share with you my activity report for the period of August 2017 to April 2021.

With very little experience as a union member and activist prior to being elected president of our area council, this position has allowed me to create strong grassroots in the union world and allowed me to flourish as a union activist. With Normand Pelletier by my side, supporting my decisions and mentoring me on a regular basis, I have been able to develop divers' passions and learned how to navigate through our union structure.

The Area Council has met many times in past 4 years. The components and directly chartered locals in our region are always willing to lend a hand to those in need and to ensure that all feel welcomed at our meetings. Divers topics like finances, negotiations, trainings, Health and safety, etc. are covered in every meeting to ensure that all locals' feel empowered by their knowledge and supported in their actions linked to PSAC. With a perspective of wanting to prepare the next generation of union activists, our area council has started sending different people to assist the Quebec leaders' meetings that often follow the Regional meetings with the REVP.

I've been present at all the Regional Council & Quebec's leaders' meetings held in the past 4 years with Magali Picard and then with Yvon Barrière. To every meeting, I came prepared wanting to give my all to best represent my region and their needs. A resume of the topics covered in these meetings was voiced in the following area council meeting. As a member of the Regional Council, I have and/or still am participating in the following committees: Education, Finance and review of the By-Law & regulations for the Quebec region.

I have discovered political action in its many different forms in the past years. I met with Mr. Pierre-Luc Dusseault (NPD) in many different occasions to discuss various issues that needed to be addressed in our region. We have had Union lunches take place outside the 50 Place de la Cité office in Sherbrooke. I have done interviews for La Tribune, 107.7 FM and Radio Canada Sherbrooke. I participated in blocking the access to the Federal building at 715 Peel Street in Montreal for the 2nd anniversary of Phoenix in February 2018. During that demonstration, a sister and I gave a live interview to Radio Canada. In Sherbrooke, we had the opportunity to

have his Honorable Justin Trudeau present in January of 2019. The demonstration took place at the OTL Governor on King Street W and was a great success. And this is just to name a few.

I would like to thank everyone who has elected and supported me in the past 4 years as president of Area Council 01.

Have a wonderful convention.

In solidarity,

Kristine Leclerc