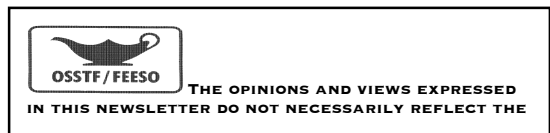


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I start my term as your new President I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for placing your trust in me and to let you know that I will do all that I can to fulfill that trust.

During the summer I spent a great deal of time trying to learn as much as possible about the many duties involved in this position. It is a very diverse job and one that I will be kept very busy with. The members of the Executive Council have a great deal of experience and we are very fortunate to have all of them available for assistance.

Each August OSSTF offers a New President's Leadership conference which I was able to attend. Tuesday and Wednesday were spent in workshops expressly designed for New Presidents and Thursday, Friday and Saturday morning was spent on more general OSSTF related workshops. All were excellent. It was a great opportunity and one that I am very thankful for.

Many of you have already contacted me with questions and I hope I was of help. My intention is to visit as many of your work sites as possible to meet you in person. I will be contacting you to make arrangements for those visits.

Please contact me anytime if you have any question. Remember no question is too minor.

H1N1 is a very significant issue which we will all be dealing with in different ways. Please remember to refer to the Pandemic Response Plan posted on the Board's website and if you have any issues please contact me ASAP.

Please remember to keep your Bargaining Unit informed (either by calling me or by contacting your Area Rep) if you have anyone at your worksite who has been off ill or has any issues that we might be of help with.

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 4th 2009 OMERS workshop - see attached flyer

April 30th, 2010 OCT P.D.Day

Please add these dates to your calendars.

MEMBERS OF YOUR EXEC COUNCIL

President Marion Wells
Vice President Betty Voigt
Treasurer Barb Fatt-Merilees
Grievance Officer Kathy Gristey
Secretary &
Communications Officer Susan Brighton

Area Reps:

Board Office Barb Fatt-Merilees & Donna Frey
Casual Lori Black
Dufferin Elementary..... Noella English
Dufferin Secondary Jean May
Orangeville Office..... Maureen MacNeil
Tech Support.....
Wellington Elementary Deb Wilson
Wellington Secondary Wendy Darroch

HEALTH & SAFETY - JACKIE HOPE
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☒ Guidelines & Application forms are available by

OSSTF DISTRICT 18

OMERS RETIREMENT PLANNING WORKSHOP

**Wednesday, November 4th @ 5:00 p.m.
OSSTF District Office
265 Bridge Street,
Fergus.**

Please add this date to your calendar.

**THIS WORKSHOP IS BEING
PRESENTED BY THE
PENSION SPECIALIST FROM THE
OSSTF PROVINCIAL OFFICE - RUTH KIRKHAM**

**THIS IS A WORTH WHILE PRESENTATION TO ATTEND IF YOU ARE
CONSIDERING RETIREMENT IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.
PRACTICAL HANDOUTS AND REFRESHMENTS ARE AVAILABLE AT NO COST
TO MEMBERS**

CALL THE DISTRICT OFFICE AT 519-843-4043 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT.