



*Prairie Region*

# Prairie Action Update

**News for CUPW Prairie Region Members**

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## Time to Vote!

### *Collective Agreement Extension Proposals from CPC (Urban and RSMC)*

Our National Office has been busy sending out information to Locals regarding Canada Post's proposal to not only extend our Urban and RSMC Collective Agreements by two years, but to provide some improvements.

The Prairie Region has 32 Locals and 31 days (August 3 to September 3) to hold Referendum meetings/votes that allow all **MIGS (Member In Good Standing)** in our Region to have the opportunity to vote either to accept or to reject the proposals from CPC.

The following information is extremely important for Locals and their members to know regarding the Referendum meetings:

- **Locals will need to schedule dates and times of their meetings with the Prairie Regional Office to ensure there is an Officer and/or Union Representative available. Locals may need to have more than one Urban and/or RSMC meeting to accommodate members' working shifts or the Locals' affiliate offices.** In addition, Locals will need to advise if ASL (American Sign Language) interpretation is required for their meetings.
- All meetings must be scheduled no later than July 19, 2021 to ensure that Intelivote, TKNL, and interpretation are booked.

- There must be **separate** meetings for the Urban members and the RSMC members – meetings cannot be held together.
- Prior to voting, members **must** be in attendance at the Zoom meeting that will include a video message from our National President along with a short presentation from a Regional Officer and/or Union Representative. At the conclusion of the meeting, voting will commence either through Intelivote (on Zoom with a valid email address) or via a toll-free 1-800 number.

For members to vote, they must be Members in Good Standing (MIGS) and have ensured that our National Membership Department has updated and accurate contact information for each member (including valid email address, telephone number and mailing address). **This must be completed prior to Monday, July 19, 2021** via:

Connecting to the website at:  
[www.cupw.ca/en/update-my-info](http://www.cupw.ca/en/update-my-info)

**OR**

Sending an email to:  
[membership@cupw-sttp.org](mailto:membership@cupw-sttp.org)

- RAND and other members must be MIGS in order to be eligible to vote. Locals may wish to explain to all members who are currently not MIGS of their status so they have the chance to become MIGS.

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**Intelivote:** MIGS members must have a valid email address to be eligible to vote. Members voting on Intelivote will receive a personal PIN number. In addition, members will also be provided an opportunity to trial their personal PIN number in a test email prior to their meeting.

**Toll-free 1-800 number:** In order to vote using the Toll-Free option, MIGS members must have an updated phone number to be eligible to vote. It is imperative that we know who is voting via phone and require that members' names and phone numbers be provided **no later than July 19, 2021.**

If you have any questions regarding the voting process, please contact the Regional Office.

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lana Smidt". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a light yellow rectangular background.

Lana Smidt  
National Director  
Prairie Region