

Heather McNeill
cc: Strike Committee

re: other unions

from: Union Office/Ann
22 August 1974

Att

1) Faculty Association

call from Ian Ross this morning. The Faculty Association supports our demands but has no formal position on the question of striking. (ie. they have no agreement with the Board of G.'s re strikes etc.) They are informing their members of this in a letter, and also saying that the Faculty Association will support any member of Faculty who may be penalised by the University for refusing to cross our picket lines. Would like this info. to be passed to Executive of AUCE etc.

2) Letter Carriers Local 12 - [REDACTED]

They will respect our picket lines. Want us to keep in touch and let them know if we are definitely going out, and might like a meeting at that time.

3) CUPE 116 [REDACTED]

Lunchtime meeting today. They will respect our picket lines. Concerned that we let them know at what time the lines are going up so that they don't get caught behind them. Want a hot-line between ourselves and them. Meeting again noon, Tuesday 27 August.

4) OTEU Local 15, [REDACTED] - head office. Bert Mitchell

JACK LASALLE - [REDACTED] - Physical plant Drafting office wants a meeting.

He has discussed possible AUCE strike with his union. They would not and "have never crossed a picket line". They would rather we didn't picket their buildings ie. physical plant and SUB, since none of our employees work in them, raised question of injunctions etc. They would not cross pickets at the gates. Doesn't want to meet with us at this juncture, but wants to know what CUPE is doing - I've informed him that we've met etc. BILL SWANSON SUGGESTS WE CALL A MEETING OF ALL THE UNIONS INVOLVED

5) HEALTH SCIENCES ASSOCIATION, 682-0387, Sheila Begg

The local rep. is Ralph Buckley on campus. I talked to Sheila and she will be in touch with Ralph Buckley. Their contract has a no-strike clause with binding arbitration written in. They would therefore have to cross our picket lines, but would not allow any members of the Association to do jobs normally done by AUCE employees, and will support us as far as they can. (very friendly!)

6) INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, local 882. Carl... [REDACTED] (home)
Power house [REDACTED]. Won't cross our picket lines. Attended meeting with CUPE 116.

7) BCGEU - Fire Hall, Steve Nordin Steward, [REDACTED]

Won't cross our lines. Wants to maintain emergency fire service. Doesn't want us to picket outside the fire hall so that emergency vehicles can cross. (Other contact at Fire Hall, Captian Crawford). Have been unable to contact him re meeting so far as he's on shift.

might walk on picket line
see WUE
Perguson re
BCGEU contract
.../cont.

Meeting with F.A. 29th 12 noon

Library
cards distributed
& processed in
sub during
negotiations

.../2, strike contacts

8) BCGEU, Doug Sandberg steward, Dept of Chemistry [REDACTED]

Will be in touch with their executive. Will support us. They are quite loosely structured on campus eg. have BC Research. May have some difficulty in convincing some of their members not to cross our picket lines as they consider themselves "professionals", however, they will instruct them not to cross lines at the gates. THEY WILL GIVE AUCE ALL THE SUPPORT THEY POSSIBLE CAN AND WISH TO BE KNOWN AS DOING SO. (we probably wouldn't picket their buildings in any case as we have no employees in them).

9) FEDERATION OF TELEPHONE WORKERS, George Yawrenjo, [REDACTED]

Will absolutely not cross our picket lines. They have trucks on campus and arrive around 7.00 am, want to ensure that our lines are there early so that they are not behind them.

10) BC & YUKON BLDG. TRADES COUNCIL

Dick Martin called before I did. Has all the information and is informing the Executive. OFF THE RECORD - thinks that all their workers would support any lines put up.

11) CANADIAN UNION OF POSTAL WORKERS, Frank Walden, [REDACTED] (National Director for the Western Region) [REDACTED], 4857 Kingsway, Suite 2.

Won't cross our picket lines, and is willing to help in any way that he can.

12) TEAMSTERS, [REDACTED] # 36, 872-0151

They don't cross picket lines, but want an official letter sent AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, to Mr. Ed. Lawson, 490 East Broadway, informing him of what is happening.

13) AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION, [REDACTED], Assistant Business Agent: Mr. Wagnaar

WILL RESPECT OUR PICKET LINES.

Is going to get in touch with the President and the Business Agent and call me back. They are bitter about independent unions as CAIMAW is currently raiding their bargaining unit, he cooled down when I assured AUCE wasn't going to raid them - will probably help us. Considers independent unions to be "outlaws" - but feels he should give us a chance to get around to considering affiliation.

TALKED TO LEN DORK. WANTS US TO CONTACT HIM AGAIN WHEN WE'RE GOING OUT SO HE CAN INFORM ALL HIS PEOPLE.

14) ED? MCGEAN, B.C. TEL. (AT W. PARKWAY 2 DOORS DOWN) WILL SUPPORT THE STRIKE.

Association of University and College
Employees
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29 August 1974

Mr. Ed. Lawson
Teamsters Joint Council no. 36
490 East Broadway
Vancouver, BC

Dear Mr. Lawson,

The Association of University and College Employees is negotiating its first contract for approximately 1300 clerical and library staff at the University of B.C. and Vancouver General Hospital.

AUCE voted 85.5% percent in favour of striking to reiterate its demands. As the University has not yet come up with an acceptable wage offer a strike seems imminent. It appears that today is the last day of mediation. AUCE will be striking on September 4th and 5th if a settlement is not reached before that time.

AUCE has contacted the other unions who may be involved, and essential services will be maintained eg. at Vancouver General Hospital, emergency fire service etc. We are confident that the Teamsters will support AUCE in its struggle for its first contract.

sincerely,

Ann Hockey (Vice-President)
on behalf of Local 1