

QUESTIONS FOR COMPARISON CHART - OPEIU/OTEU - for Affiliation Committee - AUCE Prov.

CONSTITUTION

- Executive powers : Executive Board exercise all authority between conventions. Pres. can appoints resolutions comm. at convention.
- Contract approval by? ?
- Discipline - final appeal goes to Convention. Approval of 2/3 of delegates -  
provides for a hearing officer is appointed by Exec. Board & hears evidence or Pres. may rule in matters of emergency.
- Reverter clause - Can Secy or can leave International at any time & International Directors & Canadian Directors establish autonomous Can. Union.
- Other - Can. Director can leave International at any time & establish Canadian resolutions voted on by Can. delegates only but Resolutions voted on by all delegates, including Canadian.

STRUCTURE

- Geographical region - U.S - Canada & Puerto Rico
- Number of locals in BC, Canada, and International - 60 locals, Can - 2 locals BC -
- Number of members - 150T to 200T International - 21,000 in Canada.
- Finance/dues structure - to whom paid - per capita paid to Int. on declining scale according to number of members. Int. pay 25¢ to CLC.
- Convention/delegate selection - Convention/delegate selection
- Trustees' Vote (1 delegate) per 100 members or major fraction thereof Maximum of 5 delegates per Local
- Local pays 25¢ to BCFed
- Local pays 12¢ to Van Dist Lab. Council
- Per Cap. approx \$1.70
- Can. funds all banked in Canada.

- Contract - reduction in work week to 35 hrs etc - modified + flex weeks etc.

- Strike record - not belligerant - receive solid support from B.C. Fed.

- Health and Safety - progressive record - work in cooperation to BCFed.

- Grievances and arbitration - have no record of # or success of these - Shelia call?

- LRB dec. that RNAPC is an employer.

- Educational - loc 378 have full time Ed. Officer.

- Can. Director stated - Union Political Education is single most important strategy for unions.

- Committees - 6 - Political Ed, Women's, Const. Training schools etc.

- Women - work with + endorse aims + policies of BCFed Women's Comm.

- 1st Union Fund in B.C. q 4 = W.P. Workers.

- Services Available

- Educational - excellent all CLC offerings - + cross local Educational + Steward Training.
- Financial - least direct cost to members of the 3 CLC affiliates - locals have full control over local funds remaining after per caps paid.
- Grievance and arbitration - cost born by Locals.
- Job action - Strike pay 160.00 mo appx. Services of Internat. Rep. + legal advice from Can. Dir. office

- Negotiations - Local level Neg. Comm. is called to assist & advise Bargaining units in negotiations
- Library - Loc. 15 + 378 ~~all~~ library resources available
- Publications - locals choice: Dotley have an international newsletter
- Training - all CLC training schools + V.Dist Loc. Council etc.
- Research - <sup>very</sup> adequate - also BC Fed research avail.

Sheila  
call?

#### HOW TO AFFILIATE OR MERGE

- Constitutional changes - New Local applies for Charter to Int. Convention this year in June - Can. Dir has given pledge of support.
- Bylaws - Locals own if they are not in conflict. (this is foregone)
- Retain Name - No - would be OPEIU Local# - assigned by Exec. Bd.
- Financial costs - ~~Charter fee~~ \$50.00 charter fee plus cost of sending delegation to N. York to convention

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Name the Executives we met - the kind of reception - the kind of cooperation etc.

~~One Constitutional clause that that Can.~~  
~~members probably would not, & shall not,~~  
~~members might find~~ undemocratic + unappealing;  
~~The one that, in my opinion, transgresses the~~  
~~legal authority of any union is that "no person shall be~~  
~~admitted to membership who belongs to an organization~~  
~~or movement whose aims are contrary to principles of the~~  
~~govts. of Canada, U. S + Puerto Rico" - that~~

Sheila see if there is a preamble to the Constitution?  
& if so, is there a reasonable statement of objectives?  
Can you find a quotation? If there is no preamble -  
then point this out

we met at various times with Opal Skilling Pres. Loc 15 Fred Trotter  
Can. Director + Pres. Local 378 - plus Int. Organizer Bill Evers + Ed.  
Office Loc 378 - very cordial + informative - very full info. supplied  
complete financial disclosure. Cooperative + helpful + offered us  
financial, legal + research assistance.