### Wednesday, November 12, 1980

### To the AUCE Provincial Membership:

This referendum of the Provincial Association is being conducted for three reasons: a) to elect a new Table Officer, Provincial Co-Ordinator

- b) to elect one Trustee, also a Table Officer position
- c) to ask members of AUCE Locals 2, 4, 5 and 6 to consider a one-time Special Assessment of \$5.00 to assist AUCE Local 1 @ UBC in paying off strike related debts, that amounted to approximately \$160,000 at the end of the strike, & which have been partially re-paid as the result of each AUCE Local 1 member being assessed varying amounts for every pay period since the strike ended in May.

Statements follow on another page which will inform you of the candidates's reasons for running for Provincial Office, and which will explain why you are being asked to consider the Special Assessment for AUCE Local 1. Please read the statements carefully, and if you have any questions, contact the AUCE Provincial Office @ 684-2457, or a Local Rep on the Provincial Executive, or a Provincial Table Officer. PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON MATTERS CONCERNING THE PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATION.

What follows is a specific set of instructions for completing your ballot and returning it to the Local Trustee who will in turn pass it on to the Provincial Office. READ THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY AND REMEMBER, ANY EXTRA MARKS(S) ON THE BALLOT, IN ADDITION TO, OR IN PLACE OF AN 'X', WILL RENDER YOUR BALLOT INVALID AND IT WILL NOT BE COUNTED.

Ballots must be turned in to your Steward or Trustee by Thursday, November 20 @ 4:30 pm. Ballots can be turned in to the Local union office by the same day and time. IF YOUR BALLOT HAS BEEN SENT TO YOUR HOME, OR TO A STREET ADDRESS, the medium-sized envelope has been stamped to go through the mail. Please ensure that your ballot is MAILED in time for it to ARRIVE at the Provincial Office by Friday, November 21. Remember that at this time of year especially, mail can take 2 or 3 days to travel intra-city, so mail EARLY!!

BALLOTS WILL BE COUNTED STARTING @ 7:00 pm on Friday, November 21. The count will take place at the Provincial Office and any member is welcome to attend as a scrutineer or to assist with the tabulating that the interim Trustees are responsible for co-ordinating. Please call 684-2457 to confirm your attendance.

Voting instructions are below. An outline of the responsibilities of the Provincial Trustee and the Provincial Co-ordinator are listed on the other side of this sheet. \*\*\* LOCAL 1 MEMBERS WILL NOT BE VOTING ON THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION. Statements by the candidates follow on the second page. VOTE CAREFULLY AFTER READING THE INSTRUC-TIONS.

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### VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

 Enclosed in the envelope personally addressed to you are: a) a medium sized envelope with your address label on the BACK, and a signature space on the FRONT.
b) a smaller (coin-sized) envelope - UNMARKED - and, c) a PINK ballot for electing the Co-ordinator and Trustee, and, d) (if you are a member of AUCE Locals 2, 4, 5 or 6 or Headquarters ONLY), a BUFF ballot concerning the \$5 Special Assessment. VOTING INSTRUCTIONS continued...

- 2. Mark your ballot(s) with an 'X' or a 'V' in the boxes of your choices. Any other mark will spoil your ballot(s).
- 3. Put your a) election ballot in the <u>UNMARKED</u> coin envelope. b) assessment ballot in the envelope marked <u>\$5.00 ASSESSMENT</u>. Fold your ballots if necessary. Do not mark the coin envelope(s).
- Put the coin envelope(s) in the medium envelope. <u>SIGN</u> the FRONT of the medium white envelope in the lined space provided. If this envelope is not signed your ballot(s) will be spoiled.
- 5. Mail your ballot if it has a 17¢ stamp or if you wish to stamp it. Otherwise, hand it in to your Local Trustee, Steward, Executive Member - or to your Union Office. Campus Mail is fine, but remember the deadlines for voting.

REMEMBER: BALLOTS MUST BE TURNED IN TO YOUR STEWARD OR TRUSTEE BY THURSDAY NOVEMBER 20th. MAKE SURE THAT YOUR VOTE COUNTS.

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## DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PROVINCIAL TRUSTEE AND PROVINCIAL CO-ORDINATOR

The Annual Provincial Convention, held in June, decided to expand the Provincial Executive by adding a new Table Officer position - <u>Provincial Co-ordinator</u>. The Convention also suggested that this be a full-time paid position. The question of whether or not to make this a paid position was put to the membership. Election of the officer could not take place until the results of the referendum were known. In the referendum the members decided by a narrow margin that this position would not be a full-time paid office.

You are now being asked to elect the Provincial Co-ordinator. The Provincial Co-ordinator, as determined by the convention, is responsible for the co-ordination of the Provincial Newsletter Committee and for cross-local education. As a member of the Provincial Executive, the co-ordinator shares in the responsibility of the entire management of the Provincial Association between conventions, and for the upholding of the Provincial Constitution and the aims, policies and procedures of the Provincial Association. One member of AUCE has been nominated; her name is on the ballot.

One member has been nominated to run for the position of <u>Provincial Trustee</u>. Nominations are still open for two more Trustees to serve on the Trustees Committee. One of the three Provincial Trustees represents the Committee on the Provincial Executive - and serves as a Table Officer. The Trustees are responsible for maintaining and updating the Provincial Constitution, for conducting the voting in Provincial Referendums such as this one and for checking the credentials of those entering the Provincial Convential Hall and for conducting votes at the Conventions.

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# AUCE PROVINCIAL 1980-81 EXECUTIVE BY-ELECTIONS PROVINCIAL CO-ORDINATOR - 1 PROVINCIAL TRUSTEE - 1 CANDIDATE'S STATEMENTS

### CO-ORDINATOR

Lauma Avens - Local 5 @ College of New Caledonia, Prince George.

I feel that it is important that Local 5 in Prince George participate more actively in the Provincial level, to prevent the feeling of isolation that exists.

I have been involved on various levels in a similar union in Toronto (York University Staff Association - YUSA) for five years, including writing for the newsletter, and therefore I feel that I can usefully contribute to both the Provincial Executive and Newsletter.

I support AUCE as an independent Canadian union and feel that any affiliation therefore, has to allow AUCE to remain intact and Canadian.

If elected, I would work towards ensuring that AUCE members continue to have a newsletter that is educational and informative on all union and potentially relevant issues. The saying, "an informed membership is a strong membership", cannot be used too often when describing the basis needed for a militant, united union.

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### TRUSTEE

Sheila Blace - Local 4 @ Capilano College, North Vancouver

I have been a loyal member of AUCE Local 4 for over three years.

I consider it an honour and a privilege to have been nominated to stand for election as a Trustee for AUCE Provincial.

It is my duty, I believe, to contribute some of my time and effort to my union, when it is needed.

If elected, I shall do my best to perform the required tasks to assist the Union which has fought for decent wages and working conditions for its members.

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n.b. there is only one candidate for each of the two vacant positions.

MARK THE PINK BALLOT WITH THE VOTE OF YOUR CHOICE AND DELIVER OR MAIL YOUR MARKED BALLOT BY MAIL OR PERSONAL DELIVERY TO YOUR LOCAL UNION OFFICE, TRUSTEE, OR STEWARD.

## AUCE PROVINCIAL 1980-81 EXECUTIVE BY-ELECTIONS

MARK YOUR BALLOT WITH AN 'X' OR A ' $\checkmark$ ' IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH POSITION, ANY OTHER MARK MEANS A SPOILED BALLOT & IT WILL NOT BE COUNTED. THEN FOLD THE BALLOT AND PUT IT INTO THE COIN ENVELOPE. MAIL IT IN THE MEDIUM ENVELOPE.

