

ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE EMPLOYEES
INQUIRY INTO SECESSION
AUCE LOCAL 5

QUESTIONNAIRE

As you were informed in our recent letter to you, this questionnaire is being circulated as the first step of our inquiry into the petition to secede received from members of Local 5.

We are sure you will agree that the question of your Local's future is a serious one. Please give us your responses and your views on each point. Your answers will not only help us conduct our inquiry but will be an aid in evaluating AUCE and its organization.

Enclosed is a return addressed, stamped envelope. The completed questionnaires must be returned to the Provincial and:

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April 29
THURSDAY, ~~MARCH 25~~, 1982

1. Why do you think your local wishes to secede from AUCE?

optional 2. Are you: Male _____
Female X

optional 3. Please check your age group: under 20 _____
20 - 30 X
30 - 40 _____
over 40 _____

4. How long have you been a member of AUCE? for 4 weeks

5. Have you ever belonged to another union? Yes _____
No X

If so, which ones? _____

6. What kind of work do you do at the College? Secretarial

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7. Have you ever held any office in AUCE Local 5? Yes _____
No X

Do you plan to? Yes _____
No X

8. Have you attended local meetings where secession was discussed?

Yes _____

No X

How many? _____

9. Were arguments presented on the advantages of staying in AUCE as well as on the advantages of leaving? Did you feel only one side was given fair time?. Please comment.

10. Would you attend a meeting to hear other opinions?

Yes _____

No _____

11. Has time been provided at membership meetings for your Local's Provincial Representatives to make reports? Have they in fact made reports?

12. How much did last year's strike affect your view of AUCE?

13. AUCE was set up as a feminist alternative to the more traditional "male-controlled" unions. Our aims and objectives include:
-- organizing the unorganized -- especially women
-- speaking out publicly on issues important to workers -- especially women
-- maintaining a membership controlled (as opposed to an executive controlled) structure

Do you generally agree or disagree with these objectives?

Agree X

Disagree _____

What changes would you make to these aims and objectives?

14. Do you think that the Provincial Executive has lived up to its responsibilities?

Yes _____

No _____

What have they done right or wrong?

15. What should a Provincial organization do to assist and support a union such as yours?

16. Do you have specific complaints about AUCE or the Provincial Executive? What are they?

17. Members of other AUCE locals would like to see AUCE in the CCU. How do you think your leaving AUCE would affect this possibility?

What is the CCU?

18. Would you like all AUCE locals to joint the CCU?

Yes _____

No _____

19. If the affiliation policy changed at Convention, would that change your attitude about secession?

Yes _____

No _____

Why or why not? _____

20. Do you want your Local to secede from AUCE? Yes _____
No _____ ?

Please feel free to use the remaining space for any comments you may have. We would be pleased to hear anything you have to say.

I am sorry that I was not very much help with this questionnaire. There is not much that I know about our union; there has been two meetings since I have joined but was unable to attend them.

I would like to find out more about what is happening with the union, why do people want to secede? What benefit would it be for me? or how would it hurt me?

As I said before there is not much I know about our union, but would like to find out more.

Respectively,

