

## All Committee Meetings report from The National Working Child Care Committee

We met in Montreal for the All Committees Meetings on March 29-April 1.

There were introductions as we now have a new committee and a new member from Quebec sitting on the Child Care Working Group. For the new members there, we discussed the history of the National Child Care Working Group, the Terms of Reference for the committee, the Policy and the NDP Child Care Bill-C373.

Sandy Harding, gave a her NEB Liaison Report, and we discussed the two resolutions that were put forward to National from the Child Care Working Committee.

We had discussion around the Manual, A Guide to On-Site Child Care at CUPE convention and other events. It is great that we can have child care for members that need to bring their children to these events

We were also able to talk about the Political Context for Child Care in different provinces and Canada. There was also discussion around how important it is to have Public Delivery of Child Care in Canada. and the election planning and how we need to lobby the government for Public Child Care services and delivery.

We were able to touch on the National Anti-Privatization Campaign and did a quick overview of the tour that happened in the different area provinces. We talked about the workshop and the video from the tour. We are also keeping a close eye on the big box and chain centres, ie Edleun, these are private services that families are able to obtain through private funding.

We also discussed the Strategic Planning Priority of Lobbying and Child Care and draft a plan of what work the Child Care Committee can will be able to do at the National Level.

We also discussed Pensions and the Year of the Steward and the upcoming Women's Bargaining Conference.

Respectfully Submitted

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