

EXECUTIVE REPORT – MEMBER AT LARGE

March 8, 2017

Greetings,

Joining to our Executive team, as Member At Large, has been a great pleasure and honor for me. A brilliant learning experience, which I encourage all brothers and sisters to try it out if they have not experienced it yet, and an opportunity to closely observe the tremendous work is done in the office to coordinate different matters and support our members to feel safe, secured and valued in the work place.

I attended different committees and represented our local proudly, and with the dignity we all deserve to have, such as Camosun Diversity Committee, Vancouver Island District Council and 2016 United Way Campaign. On behalf of our local I also attended a number of retirement ceremonies and presented our local's gift basket to the retired person. Thanks to my Toastmasters practices, in all occasions I did my best to create a positive and pleasant image of our local by presenting the gift while delivering a mini speech to express our sincere gratitude to the retired person and by appreciating the outstanding work that all brothers and sisters do at the College.

In Nov 2016, I attended the Shop Steward training at Nanaimo and learned a lot about Conflict Resolution and Grievance processes. I also posted what needed to be posted on our boards in Fisher building and collected the out dated posted material from the board.

I would like to express my profound gratitude to our local's captain, brother Keith Todd, for his outstanding leadership and brilliant knowledge and experience that he offers to all of us. I also would like to specially thank sister Dawn Svendsen who has made significant improvements in the office by reviewing, enhancing and upgrading many processes and procedures. Our Executive members, I am thankful to all of you and I witnessed you work for members and your only concern is supporting and empowering our members. I learned a lot from each of you, so a big THANK YOU!

Finally, I am grateful to all brothers and sisters in our local for all your support and amazing camaraderie since I have joined Camosun, a warm hug to each of you!

Respectfully and in solidarity,
Naji Yazdi