November 16, 2010 TEAM Board Meeting **President's Report**

Misty Hughes-Newman November 13, 2010

IFPTE Per Capita IFPTE Dues Increase

Having reviewed the Defined Benefit Pension Plan provided for IFPTE staff, the Executive Council voted to seek the support of IFPTE locals in addressing the issues through a 15c/month per capita increase. The TEAM office has provided each Board Member with detailed documentation and analysis.

The annual increase in IFPTE dues for TEAM is approximately \$2,250. Such an increase could be paid from our current income; an increase in TEAM member dues is not necessary.

Motion: To agree to an increase in dues to the IFPTE of 15c/month per capita effective April 2011, with the increase to be paid from current TEAM income.

December Board meeting and Pension Lawsuit Appeal Hearing

The December Board meeting is a little over three weeks away and accepting that preparing for Board meetings does take away from other business, I'm proposing that we cancel the December meeting. Should anything urgent arise we will convene a Special Board meeting to address the issue. Article 6.2 of the Constitution requires that we hold six Board Meetings a year; with the November meeting we will have had seven meetings this year.

If the Board agree to the cancelling of the December Board meeting, I propose that each Board member be released for half a day to attend the Appeal hearing on a day of their choosing.

Motion: To cancel the December 7th Board meeting.

Motion: To release each Board member for half a day to attend the Pension Lawsuit Appeal hearing.

Purchase Microsoft Office

The TEAM Secretary has requested a copy of Microsoft Office so as to avoid the formatting issues we are having when transferring documents between the office and the Secretary. The purchase of the license will enable the Secretary to create and send documents from Word on her home computer.

Motion: To approve funds to purchase a Microsoft Office licence to be used by the TEAM Secretary for official TEAM business.

TEAM Times

The TEAM Times was mailed to all members home addresses; an excellent and professional publication and an enjoyable read. Thank you to Stephen Gillies for the countless hours of editing and to all those who submitted stories.

TEAM General Meetings November 1-3rd

Our annual general meetings held in Brandon (Nov 1), the Masonic (Nov 2) and the Humphry (Nov 3) were well attended by the members. Kris Saxberg from Darcy & Deacon spoke of the Pension Lawsuit and Appeal.

Canadian Council of Professionals

Qwin attended the CCP meeting held in Montreal on November 5th and 6th.

Canadian Region IFPTE Meeting

I attended and hosted the Canadian Region IFPTE meeting in Washington DC on November 9th. Attending were representatives from Local 160, 161, 162, and 164, Greg Junemann, Paul Shearon and Dee Gillies from the IFPTE as well as Bob Linsdell, TEAM Executive Director. Please see the minutes from this meeting courtesy of Dee.