



Local 606

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

TO: ALL CUPE 606 Members (Cowichan Region)
FROM: Cowichan Region Executive

**SECRETARIES COULD YOU PLEASE ENSURE THAT
ALL CUPE STAFF ARE AWARE OF THIS NOTICE**

COWICHAN REGION SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: Tuesday, December 8, 2009

Time: 4:45 p.m.

**Place: United Steelworks Hall
351 Brae Road, Duncan, BC**

AGENDA

- Member Concerns**

COWICHAN REGION EXECUTIVE:

Ayn Cargill - *General Vice-President* (aynie@telus.net)
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Sisters and Brothers:

A number of members have requested a Special Membership meeting. The request for a Special Membership meeting for the Cowichan Valley region is a valid request. However, the notice of motion is not in order. In hopes of explaining the Executive Committee offers the following:

- Section 13 of the CUPE Local 606 Bylaws outlines the Nominations, Elections and Installation of Officers including the terms of office. There is no provision in the bylaws that permit a recall of the officers.
- Any changes to the CUPE Local 606 Bylaws require a two-thirds majority vote at a regular or special membership meeting following 7 days notice at a previous meeting, or 60 days written notice. This is consistent with the CUPE National Constitution. To be clear, as a change to the bylaws affects all the members of CUPE Local 606, the meeting to present the notice of motion to amend bylaws or the 60 days written notice is for the entire membership of CUPE Local 606 not the regional membership.
- Changes to the Bylaws that are adopted are not effective until they have been approved by CUPE National.

While the proposed motion with a Special membership meeting request may not be in order, the Executive Committee recognizes that the signatories to the request for a Special Membership meeting for the region have concerns. Accordingly, the Executive Committee has issued this Special Membership meeting notice so that those concerns can be addressed.

In Solidarity,

Rob Zver
President of CUPE Local 606

cc Cowichan Executive