

UFCW Canada Local 1006A

General Membership Meeting Minutes

August 15, 2024 – 7 p.m.

Telephone Town Hall

President Wayne Hanley chaired the general meeting. Recorder Glacier Effs-Samuel hosted and began the meeting by welcoming members.

1. Members voted to approve the minutes of the telephone town hall general membership meeting held April 17, 2024.
2. Members were informed that the minutes of this meeting will be posted for review on the local union's website and voted on for adoption at the next telephone town hall general membership meeting.
3. President Wayne Hanley updated members on the latest union news:
 - a. Informed members of recently negotiated agreements at the Spark Hotel in Markham, Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment (Security Guards), Compass Group (Air Canada Signature Premium Lounge at Toronto Pearson Airport).
 - b. Local 1006A is continuing to address customer abuse and public abuse at work and is committed to protecting our members' health and safety. The local union has started a campaign to raise awareness among the membership and the larger public about this important issue.
 - i. The stories of members Natasha and Mike, who encountered customer abuse while working in grocery retail was shared with the membership.

- ii. Members were strongly urged to contact their union representative for assistance if they encountered customer abuse in the workplace.
 - iii. Members were provided with tips on handling customer abuse in the workplace.
 - c. President Hanley informed members about the upcoming Stewards' Conference, and the record number of stewards who have registered to attend.
 - d. President Hanley recognized the participation of 130 stewards from across Ontario in our Spring Stewards' Training program.
 - e. 1006A members participated in Pride events in Brockville, Toronto and London. Members were encouraged to participate in Ottawa Pride.
 - f. President Hanley recognized the participation of young workers in UFCW Canada's National Youth Worker Internship Program.
4. Secretary-Treasurer Kevin Benn presented the 2023 audited financial report. The report was voted on and approved by the membership.
 5. Mark Hennessy, Special Assistant to the National President of UFCW Canada, spoke about the potential of an early provincial election and key issues that impact workers. These include affordability, housing and healthcare. He said politics affects every part of our lives and every voice matters.
 6. Membership Contest – members were given the opportunity to enter a draw for a tablet computer. The winner was posted on www.ufcw1006a.ca. (Mahrad from Superstore in Newmarket)

7. Questions and comments about specific workplace issues were all forwarded to the appropriate Union Representative for follow up.
8. The next telephone town hall will be held on November 20, 2024.

7:44 PM – Meeting Adjourned

A full transcription and recording of the meeting are available to members online at www.ufcw1006a.ca