

**TENTATIVE CONTRACT EXTENSION AND TENTATIVE BILL 115 CHARTER CHALLENGE REMEDY**

A general membership meeting was held yesterday (April 4) at UAW Hall in Wallaceburg. The ratification votes were held today in the schools. Results will be released from Provincial Office once voting by all members across the province is completed.

**ANNUAL MEETING OF PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY (AMPA)**

AMPA this year was held in Toronto on March 10 to 13. Your District Delegation consisted of April Brander, Bill Cornell, Avinash Manju Ghosh, Jennifer Kumpf, Stephen Lynch, Dave Parkes, Jennifer Scott, and Steve Spring, Delegation Leader. AMPA, always held the first weekend of March Break, is the venue where decisions affecting the entire organization are made. New faces are always welcome. AMPA 2018 posters outlining the application procedure will be in the schools next December for selection by District Council in January, 2018.

Provincial Executive Election Results: Elected for a two year-term were Harvey Bischof, President; Rob Gascho, Vice President; Cindy Dubu , Vice President; Earl Burt, Treasurer; Paul Caccamo, Executive Officer; Martha Hradowy, Executive Officer; and Karen Littlewood, Executive Officer.

Student Achievement Awards in Honour of Marion Drysdale: For over twenty-five years, the Student Achievement Awards have been one of Ontario's most prestigious awards celebrating the artistic and academic creations of students in public high schools. Any Ontario public high school student may enter work into one of eight categories and submissions are judged on school, district, regional and provincial levels. The eight provincial winners are brought to Toronto to receive their awards at the OSSTF/FEESO annual general meeting (AMPA) and they are featured in a twenty minute video. Each provincial winner also receives a cash award of \$1,000. Plan to have your students get involved in this event next year. Posters will be distributed to the schools in our district when they become available from Provincial Office.

**FEDERATION FAMILY EDUCATION FUND**

The Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation Provincial Office established this bursary program to assist financially the children of OSSTF/FEESO members to enter college, university or apprenticeship programs. Ten \$1,500 bursaries are available this year. The criteria for the Federation Family Education Fund can be found at the provincial website: [www.osstf.on.ca](http://www.osstf.on.ca) and entering "Federation Family Education Fund" in Search. The deadline for applications is April 15, 2017.

**RETIREEES' DINNER**

District 10's Annual Retirees' Dinner will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at the Clubhouse at Baldoon to honour our members who will be retiring. Please mark this date and plan to attend.

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