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Steward Flections

May 14th 2014 Peace River, AB. Location: TBD.

General Membership Mtg

May 13th—15th 2014 Lawson Arbitration Edmonton, AB.

It's that time again, Shop Steward Nominations have begun. Every 3 years your Shop Stewards and Chief Shop Stewards come up for election. This process is outlined in the bylaws and is summarized below.

**#1:** As of May 1st all currently serving Shop Stewards and Chief Shop Stewards that were duly nominated and elected prior to May 1st are still considered active and still carry the rights they had before, up to and including the day of completed elections (of which is to be completed by Sept 30 2014).

#2: Each shop / stand alone location with more than 6 members will be required to post where accessible, the Stewards Nomination Form that is currently available on our website **iamaw99.ca/stewards-page/**. **This is to be done immediately.** 

- #3: If you wish to nominate someone as a Shop Steward or would like someone to nominate you, simply get someone to nominate you on the sheet. Each location can use multiple sheets if necessary. The number of available Shop Steward positions available at each shop / stand alone location is determined by the Union Executive in consultation with the affected members if necessary.
- #4: On July 31st 2014 each shop / stand alone location with nomination lists must remove their nomination forms and send them in by scanning/e-mailing to President@iamaw99.ca, or traditional mailing to the Union hall (address listed at the bottom of the newsletter).
- **#5:** Once the nomination forms are reviewed by the Union Executive, each shop / stand alone location with more nominees than available positions will hold a secret ballot election of which is to be conducted between August 1st 2014 and September 30th 2014.
- #6: After the Shop Steward elections have been completed and your new Shop Stewards elected, the ballots must submitted to the Union Hall by traditional mail. Afterwards an election of the Chief Shop Stewards will be conducted where the only eligible members that can become Chief Shop Stewards were the elected Shop Stewards. The number of Chief Shop Stewards allowed for each shop / stand alone location is determined by the Union Executive in consultation with the affected members.

Make no mistake this is your opportunity to either step up to the plate and become a driving force behind change, perhaps contribute to the future of your workplace, maybe remove a Shop Steward you don't like, or add one that you think will do well. Members often wonder "How can I change things in the Union, maybe even the Workplace?" this is where you start!

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