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Secretary-Treasurers

Dear Sisters, Brothers, and Friends:

Re: Western Regional Summer Institute for Union Women June 28 – July 1, 2017

This year the Ala Moana Hotel in Honolulu, Hawaii is hosting the 2017 Western Regional Summer Institute for Union Women June 28 to July 1, 2017.

The theme is “*Continuing the Legacy: Responding with Direction, Unity & Strength*”. Union women have a proud history of resistance, resilience, and focus in formulating and organizing a unified response to threats on workers’ and women’s rights. Today, the right to bargain collectively is under organized attack.

Working women will benefit from the expertise of experienced organizers and labour leadership, in addition to learning about new campaigns and methods of internal and external organizing. The in-depth multi-day core classes hone skills, deepen knowledge, and build relationships. One-day workshops focus on specific skills, information, or issues. Other activities enable women to work together and learn from each other.

HEU will cover the cost of registration, transportation, wages, and accommodations. Full per diems will be provided for travel days, however, breakfast and lunch is provided each day with registration fees. Therefore, your per diems will be adjusted accordingly (Canadian funds). Accommodations will be provided on a shared basis. Wages for July 1st will be paid at regular rates (no stat pay).

The conference starts at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 28 and ends at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 1, with registration from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27. In order for you to register on June 27 you will be travelling to Hawaii on Monday, June 26 and returning upon adjournment on July 1st (overnight flight).

Please note that due to the changes in the United States national security, when travelling to the U.S., you may experience delays and/or issues at the border. You will need a valid passport that does not expire within six (6) months of travelling.

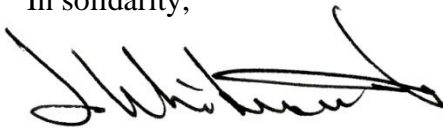
A personal credit card is required for unexpected events and out-of-country emergency medical insurance is required.

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Please find enclosed the HEU application form and course descriptions. Please ensure that the application is completed in FULL, including 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice of course selection. Courses often fill up very quickly and it makes the process much easier for the registrars if we are aware of alternatives ahead of time.

Please submit your completed application form to Candice Klein, by fax 604-739-1510, or email to cklein@heu.org by **12:00 pm, Thursday, May 11, 2017.**

In solidarity,



Jennifer Whiteside
Secretary-Business Manager

Enclosures

cc: HEU's Women's Committee
Provincial Executive
Sharryn Modder, Equity Officer