

# COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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## President's Message

With bargaining going on, FSAs upcoming, and workload challenges abounding, I just want to make sure that another item to be attended to doesn't get lost. On October 15th, Municipal elections take place. The CTA is engaging locally with candidates right now. We have contests across the three cities and two townships. Local elections matter to us, particularly for School Trustee. The Trustees have a lot of agency in what happens here, in terms of priorities, policy, finance, etc. and we need to ensure that people reflecting our values are in these positions. While we may not seem to overtly be a battleground like Chilliwack, it's still imperative that we ensure the candidates running share our values and will act in the best interest of our students and of teachers. I am asking that members take a little bit of time and find out who's running where they live, see what you can do to find out their positions, connect with them, maybe help one you like with their campaign. Local elections are typically fairly low voter turnout so, a little bit of effort can really make an outsized difference. Municipal elections locally are often won or lost by the merest handful of votes so, yours counts, as well. Please do get out on the 15th and cast your ballot.

In Solidarity,  
Ken

# CTA Annual General Meeting

Wednesday October 5, 2022  
Winslow Gym - 4:00 pm

- Call to Order
- Election of BC Federation of Labour Delegates
- President's Report
- Financial Reports
- Bargaining Update (In Committee)
- Prize Draws
- Adjournment



**Delegates Needed for the  
BC Federation of Labour Conference**  
November 21-25, 2022

As in the past, the CTA is sending three (3) delegates to the convention and will cover the cost of any leaves required to participate in the convention. More information about the convention can be found here <https://convention.bcfed.ca/>

Teachers interested in attending as delegates should fill out a CV form located here and submit it to the CTA Office by Monday, September 26, 2022.

Delegates to the convention will be acclaimed or elected at the CTA AGM on Wednesday, October 5, 2022.



**National Day  
for Truth and  
Reconciliation**

**September 30**

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# PD REP TRAINING

September 26 and 27, 2022

More details coming soon!

*If you are PD Rep,  
please make sure we know!!*



## 2022-2023 Staff and PD Rep Names Needed

School staffs should be selecting their CTA Staff Reps and PD Reps for the upcoming school year. In order to plan for Training Sessions we will need to know who your **PD and Staff Reps** are **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**.

Submit to Kelly Stewart [kstewart@cta43.org](mailto:kstewart@cta43.org)

## Executive Committee

The CTA Executive Committee has the following positions available

**Two Members at Large**  
**One Member at Large, Person of Colour**

If you are interested in running for on of these positions please go to the website to get and submit a CV to Kelly Stewart [kstewart@cta43.org](mailto:kstewart@cta43.org)

*REMEMINDER*  
**PD Deadlines**

Conference reports and receipts for summer PD need to be emailed to [pd@cta43.org](mailto:pd@cta43.org) no later than **October 10, 2022**.

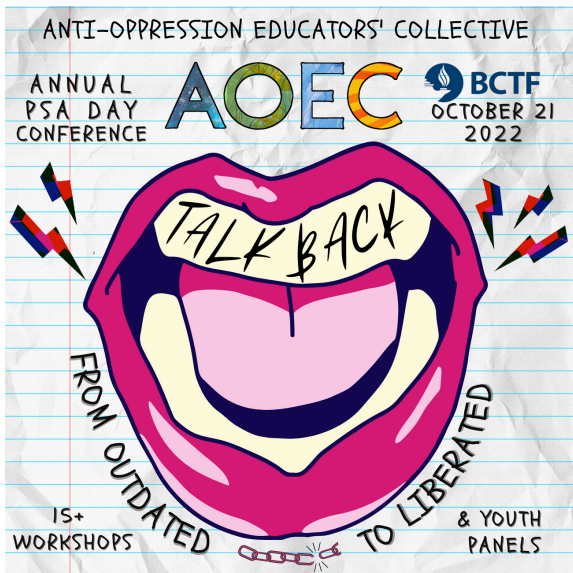
# PD Power

With a PD Day coming up next week schools are quickly back into the mindset of professional learning. I hope that your site's plans equip you with knowledge and new ideas to use throughout this school year. If you are wondering how you can be a more active participant in the organization of your site's PD days your PD Rep is the person to talk with!

Each site should have at least one PD Rep who shares information about upcoming PD opportunities, chairs the site-based PD Committee, and helps to organize your site's PD days. PD reps are elected by the site's staff each year. If you'd like to be involved, but not as the official Rep, consider joining your site's PD Committee so that your opinions and PD goals can help to shape what your site focuses on this school year.

Please contact me at [mcrawford@cta43.org](mailto:mcrawford@cta43.org) with any questions about engaging more in PD at your site (or at the district level!). - *Meggan Crawford, PD Chairperson*

## October PSA Day 2022



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BRITISH COLUMBIA  
SOCIAL STUDIES  
TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

# TTOCs & New Teachers

## TTOC COMMITTEE

*Meets the second Thursday of every month*

**Tuesday September 27, 2022**

We will meet both virtually and face to face in the CTA conference room.

All meeting details including a link to access the meeting are posted in our [CTA TTOC Facebook group](#).

The meeting will include opportunities for 'townhall' style discussion.

Contact Diether Malakoff ([dmalakoff@cta43.org](mailto:dmalakoff@cta43.org)) if you have any questions.

All CTA members welcome.

**If you're not on Facebook, we can send you the links and details. Bring a friend!**



COMMITTEE FOR  
ACTION ON  
SOCIAL JUSTICE

# CASJ



## CASJ BOOKCLUB

*Meets the first Thursday of every month.*

People can also attend virtually. We'll be discussing Caleb Azumah Nelson's 'Open Water' which was assigned reading over the summer. We will then move on to selecting a new book to read through the fall. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!!

Please forward any questions or book titles for consideration to Diether ([dmalakoff@cta43.org](mailto:dmalakoff@cta43.org)).

## CASJ COMMITTEE

*Meets the 3rd Thursday of every Month*

Information on fall meetings coming soon!

**CTA CASJ is now on Instagram! Find us at [socialjusticecta](#). We're also on FB at [CTA CASJ](#).**

**No experience necessary, new members welcome!!**  
Please contact CTA liaison [Diether Malakoff](#) with any questions.

# Retirement — PARTY —

The CTA and CPVPA Retirement Reception honouring retiring teachers and administrators will be held

**Thursday, September 15, 2022**

**4:00 - 6:00 pm,**

**Poco Inn & Suites, Poco Room  
1545 Lougheed Highway, Port Coquitlam, BC**

Please RSVP to Kelly Stewart

[kstewart@cta43.org](mailto:kstewart@cta43.org)

OCTOBER 2022  
**5** World  
Teachers'  
Day



# Contact Us:

[www.coquitlamteachers.com](http://www.coquitlamteachers.com)

CTA Office: 604-936-9971



Please see the list below for the officer or staff member best able to help you.

**(Last names A-F)** Ken Christensen, President  
[kchristensen@cta43.org](mailto:kchristensen@cta43.org)

**(Last names G-L)** Kara Obojski, 1st Vice-President  
[kobojski@cta43.org](mailto:kobojski@cta43.org)

**(Last names M-R)** Diether Malakoff, 2nd Vice-President  
[dmalakoff@cta43.org](mailto:dmalakoff@cta43.org)

**(Last names S-Z)** Andy Gilligan, Labour Relations Officer  
[agilligan@cta43.org](mailto:agilligan@cta43.org)

## PD related questions

Meggan Crawford, PD Chairperson - [mcrawford@cta43.org](mailto:mcrawford@cta43.org)

If your situation is already being handled by an officer not matching your alpha assignment, please continue to liaise with that officer.

## CTA Administration

Kelly Roberts, Executive Director - [kroberts@cta43.org](mailto:kroberts@cta43.org)

## Accounting/Finance - Reimbursements, scholarship payments & CTA newsletter

Heidi Davis, Finance Administrator - [hdavis@cta43.org](mailto:hdavis@cta43.org)

## Membership Database, Website Access, Committees, Scholarships

Kelly Stewart, Office Clerk - [kstewart@cta43.org](mailto:kstewart@cta43.org)

## Office Clerk, CTA PD Day

Corbey Heyes-Jones, Office Clerk [corbeyhj@cta43.org](mailto:corbeyhj@cta43.org)



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## Employee and Family Assistance Program

Coaching | Counselling | Support

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Teachers'  
Pension Plan



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## CTA Website Login

Information is posted on our website as quickly as we have it. Please make sure you are able to access the site. If you have any questions about login please contact [Kelly Stewart](mailto:Kelly.Stewart)



# Committee VACANCIES

## CTA PD Committee

- 2 Middle Reps, 1 LSA Rep, 1 TTOC Rep
- 2 Elementary Reps, 1 Adult Ed Rep,
- 1 Learning Services Rep

## CTA Teachers Teaching on Call Committee

- 7 members-at-large

## CTA Committee of Action on Social Justice (CASJ)

- 2 Middle Reps, 1 member at large rep ,
- 1 Elementary Rep

## CTA Adult Educators

- 1 Learning Centre Rep

## CTA Policy and Procedure Committee

Currently Full

## CTA Scholarship, Awards and Bursary Committee

- 1 Alt. Ed Rep, 1 Cont. Ed. Rep, 1 Indigenous Member,
- 1 Member of Colour, 3 Additional CTA Members

## CTA BIPOC Educators' Committee

For more information on being a part of this committee please email [Ryan Cho](mailto:Ryan.Cho), [Shauna Clarke](mailto:Shauna.Clarke) or [Kelly Roberts](mailto:Kelly.Roberts)

## District Student Services Advisory Committee

- 2 CTA Reps

## District Student Achievement Advisory Committee

- 1 CTA Rep

## District Student Wellness & Safety Committee

- 1 CTA Rep

## District Aboriginal Ed Advisory Committee

Currently Full

## District French Advisory Committee

Currently Full

## District Technology Advisory Committee

- 2 CTA Reps

## New Westminster & District Labour Council

- 5 CTA reps

Teachers interested in any of these committees should go onto our website or [click here](#) for a curriculum vitae form and submit it to the CTA Office ([kstewart@cta43.org](mailto:kstewart@cta43.org)). If you have questions, call the CTA Office at 604-936-9971.