



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

August 2025 meeting highlights and upcoming dates and initiatives:

- **A new NSSBCU website** will be going live soon, watch out for the link!
- **We have a new Bluesky social media account**, which, will hopefully help us share information with our supporters. Click the link to search and follow us <https://bsky.app/profile/cupe-nssbcu.bsky.social>
- **A new round of bargaining** is beginning. It is hard to believe but our current collective agreement expires at the end of March 2026. Please watch your email for the link to the "bargaining survey." The online survey will be open beginning next week. This is the most valuable tool we have leading up to bargaining because your feelings, opinions, input and direction helps to set the priorities at the bargaining table and tells us what you want us to achieve.
- **Please share your personal (not work) contact email**, for the survey mentioned above, and all union correspondence. The importance of every member supplying a working personal email address to your local executive cannot be understated. Please do your part to ensure you receive the information that will make us all successful.
- **Local 3890, at the Chignecto-Central RCE**, are pleased to welcome approximately 100 new CUPE members who work in our school cafeterias, some faces will be familiar, some will be brand new. WELCOME TO ALL!!!
- **WE ARE WATCHING THE GOVERNMENT!** The new school code of conduct is being implemented, and we are watching to ensure our recommendations in the Safe Staff, Safe Schools report, in response to the Auditor General report on preventing and addressing violence in NS public schools, are addressed. This is going to be an especially important topic this year, as we want to ensure the health and safety of the students, and all of us. Our chair, Nelson Scott, along with our co-ordinator, Mary Fougère, and Alan Linkletter, CUPE NS president, will attend a meeting of the standing committee of Human Resources at the NS Legislature. Our concerns regarding policies, practices and issues related to early childhood development, labour and education in Nova Scotia will be presented.
- **Planning for the NSSBCU Annual/Bargaining Conferences**, has begun. The conferences are scheduled to happen November 15th and 16th, 2025, at the Halifax World Trade and Convention Centre. More information to follow.