

Quarterly Regional Report (2nd -2016)- Health and Safety Committee

The second quarter of 2016 found the committee busy finalizing the upcoming Regional Health and Safety Conference at the Lac Leamy Hilton Hotel Conference Centre that was held May 28 and 29, 2016.

The theme for this year's conference was "Mental Health in the Workplace". The speakers and presenters that were lined up covered various aspect of mental health and how it affects us all in the workplace.

The conference went off without a hitch with much positive feedback thanks to all the dedicated H&S committee members who participated and attended, all the PSAC staff and the numerous volunteers that stepped up to help us out. Thank you to all for your support!!

July and August found the committee members taking a well-deserved break over the summer months for a little rest and relaxation after a very busy spring.

The committee re-unites again this September with new hopes and challenges. One of the committee's priorities for this fall will be to focus on the implementation of the New Mental Health Standards across the Federal Public Service.

In addition, the committee will also be focusing on a recruitment program initiative to attract H&S members from PSAC components and DCLs not currently represented on our committee. It is the committee's goal to expand its membership to the point where the majority, if not all, of the components and DCLs, in the National Capital Region, are represented on our Regional H&S Committee. Only working together can we make a difference!

I want to thank all the committee members for their hard work and support over the last number of months and wish them all a happy and fun filled summer holidays.

Just a friendly reminder again to all that the committee meets on the third (3rd) Wednesday of every month starting again on September 21, 2016.

We encourage all components and DCL's to come out and join us.

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