**EWSC June 23/24 Exec Mtg, July and Aug. 2025 Recap**

**Please find below the cliff notes of the last EWSC Executive board meeting and happenings throughout the summer.**

* **Conference evaluations** were gone through and discussed in detail – from evaluation forms:
* Pros
* Current format ½ day, full day, ½ day – keep this format
* Meals provided quality and quantity
* “What do you want from EWSC”? Liked the brainstorming/chatting in table groups that came out of that
* Speakers that haven’t been heard before
* Location
* Cost
* Bingo
* Cons
  + Video/Zoom for Alberta Education presentation
  + Inappropriate conduct by some delegates in the “What do you want from EWSC”? session
  + Want opportunity to meet in every classification groups
  + Speakers for every classification group or more general for all
  + Bingo Appy’s (we too were VERY disappointed)
* Of note - there were some things that were complained about that we have no control over:
* When people can get in their hotel rooms
* Temperature of hotel rooms
* Temperature in conference room (we can’t please everyone- comments were ‘too cold’, ‘too warm’)
* **Other Highlights**:
* Strength in Numbers Campaign final draft – document is attached
* Labour Relations and Workplace Safety – EWSC Mission Statement – see attachment - the EWSC spent part of their time working with Kristin Anderson to create a plan/mission statement/goal/tag line for the EWSC - this was to ensure that the executive had a clear path forward and the tools to work together as a cohesive group for the upcoming year
* EWSC applied for funding to CUPE National as part of Nationals Coordinated Bargaining Fund – we will be hosting an Education Support Workers 2 day “Think Tank”
* Website Update – check it out – any changes that need to made for local contacts or information you’d like to see on the EWSC website, please let one of the executive members know
* The store is always open and items are available for purchase year-round
* WCB – presidents who signed up at the conference – their names/emails have been forwarded – watch for an invite from them to join their group.
* Participated in Press Conferences re: Jordan’s Principle funding cuts for EA positions
* Meeting with Matt Love NDP Shadow Minister for Education (Sept 3)
* We joined the NDP at two press conferences in Saskatoon and Prince Albert, calling on the Sask. Party to restore Jordan’s Principle funding and invest in education.
* You can read more about the press conferences here:

[Saskatoon](https://sk.cupe.ca/2025/08/22/cupe-education-workers-join-ndp-in-urging-sask-party-to-backfill-jordans-principle-funding-cuts/)

[Prince Albert](https://sk.cupe.ca/2025/08/26/cupe-education-workers-in-prince-albert-urge-sask-party-government-to-restore-education-funding/)

**SAVE THE DATES:**

* Oct 1 @ 6:30 - EWSC All Pres Zoom
* Nov 24 & 25 – (tentative date) EWSC Coordinated Bargaining Think Tank (lost wages, mileage, accommodations will be provided for to up to 2 delegates per education local – both affiliated and non-affiliated education locals will be invited to participate)
* Jan. 28, 2026 @ 6:30 - EWSC All Pres Zoom
* May 4/5/6, 2026 Conference– Swift Current Living Sky Casino

\*\*Please note my 2025 Chairperson Report is attached

As always, please contact us if you’d like us to attend a GMM, Executive meeting in person or via Zoom.

In Solidarity,

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