

CUPE 3906 is proud to endorse Janice Folk-Dawson for the role of Executive VP of the Ontario Federation of Labour. We believe that Janice's history of contributions to the labour movement and commitment to activism and equity make her an ideal candidate for the position.

The issues Ontario workers are now facing are neither unprecedented nor unexpected. They are the natural outcome of sustained neo-liberal attacks on the working class which aim to strip us of our collective power and entitlements, divide us along harmful nationalistic lines, and foster bigoted and oppressive attitudes and actions towards and between us. As both a source of power and an engine for change, the labour movement needs to be proactive in its stance against these measures. The OFL must work to disrupt not just the policies and groups which are anti-labour, oppressive, and discriminatory, but also the very system that sustains and enforces them.

As chair of CUPE Ontario's Ontario University Workers Coordinating Committee (OUWCC), Janice has been a consistent mentor, guide, and friend to our local through numerous rounds of bargaining and political campaigns. Janice knows how to navigate the innerworkings of large political bodies, build relationships, and generate momentum within these bodies that can actually reach the front line of the labour force. As a champion of activism and bold political action, Janice routinely puts her values into action by not only helping coordinate campaigns, but by being a consistent presence on the front line of actions, rallies, and demonstrations.

Janice's consistent presence as a reliable mentor and ally, coupled with her experience behind the scenes in the OUWCC and CUPE Ontario make her the perfect candidate for Executive VP. She not only brings the relevant knowledge and experience required for the position, but also the sorely needed willingness to act.

It is for these reasons that CUPE 3906 is proud to endorse Janice Folk-Dawson for the role of Executive VP of the Ontario Federation of Labour.

Sincerely and in solidarity,



Nathan Todd

President, CUPE 3906