



Political Action Policy

PURPOSE: To decrease financial barriers for local members and encourage participation in labour related activities, without significantly impacting local finances and to take a leadership role in actively lobby for improvements to benefits and rights for all workers.

CONSIDERATIONS: The desire of CUPE local 8920 to increase attendance at rallies, demonstrations, pickets and other approved labour based activities, for example May Day, Labour Day, Day of Mourning December 6 events.

To raise the visibility of our local within the community, build positive relationships with our allies and to raise the awareness of importance issues facing labour.

PROCEDURES: Participate in events and encourage others to participate with you and ensuring that CUPE Local 8920 presence is known by using our CUPE Local 8920 Flag at these events.

Complete and submit a local expense form to our local Secretary-Treasurer as per the following compensation guidelines.

\$50.00 when traveling 50 to 100kms and \$80.00 when travelling over 100kms. If a bus is chartered to take members to an event, members must use the bus and will receive a flat rate of \$40.00.

When using vehicles to attend events members should attempt to have 2 or more people travelling with them to be eligible for financial compensation. Considerations outside these guidelines may be approved by the local executive board.

ACCOUNTABILITY: Attendance to events must be authorized by the Local Executive Board.

An update from members attending such events is to be included in the Area VP report to the Local Executive Board.

**PLEASE NOTE THE LOCAL WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY
EXPENSES INCURRED OUTSIDE THESE GUIDELINES**