

IF YOU SUPPORT OR MOBILIZE PEOPLE TO DO SOMETHING, YOU SUCCEED IN ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO TAKE ACTION, ESPECIALLY POLITICAL ACTION.

NAFR OTTAWA BRANCH AD HOC ADVOCACY WORKING GROUP

MANDATE:

-To advocate for the protection of pension interests and benefits of federal retirees.

KEY TASKS:

In support of the PR/advertising campaign undertaken by National Office on election strategies and in alignment with the Ottawa Branch Public Awareness Strategy relating to pension and with the decisions of the Board of the Ottawa Branch on the matter, the key tasks are as follows:

-to develop an action plan, outlining pro-active local level mobilization and awareness initiatives, including responsibilities, timeframes and related costs as required;

-once the action plan is approved by the Ottawa Board, to coordinate and oversee the implementation of the action plan and report on a regular basis to the Board on progress achieved

COMPOSITION OF THE WORKING GROUP:

-The Working Group will be chaired by a member of the Ottawa Board. A Co-Chair will also be designated by the Board;

-The members of the group will consist of the Chairs of the various Ottawa Branch Committees (Communications, Liaison, MS, P&G) as well as the Ottawa Branch Treasurer. Members are to be appointed for 1 year. The Board can however decide to terminate or extend the mandate of the Working Group, as required;

-A representative of the National Office will be asked to participate;

- A pension expert will assist the Group, providing advice on pension issues. An honorarium may be required to that effect;

-A volunteer member will be designated to assist with the administrative tasks;

-The Working Group may also be assisted by other volunteer members to carry out its mandate.

ACCOUNTABILITY:

The Advocacy Working Group activities and decisions are to be approved by the Board of Directors, prior to implementation

WORKING METHODS:

-The Working Group will normally meet on a monthly basis or more often as required. In between meetings, consultations / input can take place by e-mail;

-Meetings will be usually held in the Ottawa Branch's boardroom;

-Meeting documents will normally be circulated via e-mail.

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