



# Staff Rep Weekly

\*\*\*Please share this important information with all VESTA members\*\*\*

## Dates to Remember

*Meetings at VESTA Office,  
4:00 pm unless otherwise  
indicated*

September 12  
VTF General Meeting  
Tupper Secondary

September 16  
Status of Women 4:15 pm  
Committee

September 17  
Staff Rep Assembly  
Tupper Secondary cafeteria

NEW Staff Rep TRAINING  
1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

September 18  
TTOC Committee

September 26  
VESTA Professional Issues  
Committee

September 27  
Professional Development

October 1 to 3– 9 am to 3 pm  
Staff Union Rep Training

## VTF General Meeting re: Bargaining Objectives

BCTF President Jim Iker is scheduled to discuss provincial bargaining, and Jody Polukoshko will update local bargaining. The VTF will also update members on CUPE Bargaining. Please attend at Tupper Secondary School at 4 pm this Thursday!

## VESTA New Staff Rep Training

**FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER!! Tuesday, September 17th.**

Newly minted Staff Reps can meet each other and work together with 1st VP Dan Graves to learn about their vital role and crucial function in their school and our union. The workshop is from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm at the VESTA office. NEW Staff Reps will be released from their teaching for that afternoon. Use the SFE system, code 141. Then, we'll all head to the Staff Rep Assembly at Tupper together!

**Registration forms have already been faxed to schools.**

## Staff Union Rep Training– SURT– Oct. 1st to 3rd

All Staff Reps, Health & Safety Reps, Professional Issues Chairs & Staff Committee Chairs are expected to take part in this opportunity to learn and exchange information. MORE LATER!

## Truth and Reconciliation Events

Sept. 16. Lighting of a Sacred Fire, Ambleside Beach, West Vancouver  
See Web link for all events: <http://www.trc.ca/websites/vancouver/File/TRC-073.06%20BCNE%20program-web.pdf>

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## VESTA & Solidarity with CUPE Job Action

*The VESTA Executive Committee passed this motion on Sept. 10th 2013*

That VESTA send a memo to all members concerning the possible CUPE job action, conveying that:

- BCTF policy prohibits members from crossing any third party picket line or working behind one;
- VESTA encourages members to support our CUPE colleagues by walking the picket line;
- That in the event of CUPE job action, all members on duty each day will report to their worksite and sign in with a VESTA Staff Rep in order to receive third party strike pay; and that the IHTOs have on-going contact with staff reps to explain the issues with the current third party bargaining status.