



*Stronger Together*

2015 February 11

# Staff Rep Weekly

*Please share this important information with all VESTA members*

## Dates to Remember

*Meetings at VESTA office 4pm unless otherwise indicated*

### February 17

VESTA General Meeting/ SRA  
Tupper Cafeteria

### February 18

Health and Safety  
Professional Issues

### February 23

VESTA AGM Delegates  
8:30am to 3pm

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**FIGHT  
FOR  
\$15**

## Stop the Child Support Clawback in BC

BC ACORN (Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now) is an independent national organization of low- and moderate-income families. Single parent families on income assistance need your support to end the BC Government's claw back of child support payments.

The provincial government is doing a consultation on the child support clawback issue - and they are taking public feedback until the end of February 2015. BC Acorn needs you to tell the government to end the clawback. [Click here to send an email straight to the government](#) - telling them to stop the clawback of child support from low income single parents.

## Locked-out CUPE 7000 to Send Valentine Greeting

Locked -out members of CUPE 7000 will be sending a Valentine's Day greeting to Southern Railway with a public rally to take place outside the company's service yard in New Westminister on Saturday, February 14 at noon.

The event will take place at the corner of Quayside Drive near Laguna Court, just beside the Southern Railway service yard (see [map](#)) where CUPE BC's Community Events Trailer will be parked. Parking is limited, so park at the New Westminister Quay or take the Skytrain to New Westminister Station, then a short walk from there to the rally.

## Join the Broken Heart Rally, February 15 – Fight for \$15

Groups like the Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) have denounced the benefits of raising BC's minimum wage to \$15, but a fair wage is what's really needed! Rally at noon, February 15 at the Canadian Federation of Independent Business office, 625 Howe Street. Bring a home-made broken heart Valentine and Fight for \$15 sign. Let the CFIB know what it is really like for those living on minimum wage in BC. <https://www.facebook.com/events/785259788232460/>



## Upcoming Events

**VTF General Meeting – Tuesday February 24 at 4 pm**  
**Location: Tupper Secondary School Auditorium**

We are inviting all members to attend this VTF General Meeting, where we will discuss and make decisions about the VSB's proposal for the school calendar.