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GENERAL ASSEMBLY - APRIL 30

The DTU is holding a General Assembly tomorrow at 12:30 in the Boardroom (5B.13). Items on the agenda: DTU Elections, Proposed Budget for 2014-2015 and Negotiations.

JOIN THE MAY 1ST INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' DAY MARCH

Join the DTU at the annual May Day March this Thursday May 1st organized by the Quebec trade union movement. There will be a rally at 6:30 pm in front of the Premier's office at the corner of Sherbrooke and McGill College in front of Paragraph Books and McGill University. Then there will be a march to the Stock Exchange Tower at Square Victoria. Look for the DTU banner.

With the recent election this is a chance to remind the new government that the union movement is vibrant and organizing for the coming negotiations. Come and join the DTU behind its banner, show your solidarity and celebrate the victories of the year and the courage of those in ongoing conflicts.

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TEACHER AVAILABILITY AFTER END OF CLASSES FOR DAY TEACHERS

Remember that Continuing Education teachers do not have to provide availability to the college outside their teaching hours.

The DTU would like to make clear that teachers have no obligation to the administration to maintain office hours, in particular after classes finish. However, we have a responsibility to remain available to the college and therefore to our students. This availability can be provided in a variety of ways, including but not necessarily office hours.

Our obligations with regard to presence at Dawson are defined by our duties. You need to be at the college when your duties require it. These duties include teaching classes and labs, invigilating examinations, meeting students outside of class when necessary and attending department meetings and meetings of department committees on which you have agreed to serve. If you have agreed to accept release time for department or program activities, then you might be obliged to attend additional meetings.

We urge you to respect any commitments you have made to your students. How you choose to make yourselves available to your students after the end of classes is up to you both in terms of means and amounts of time.

HAND IN YOUR GOS BY APRIL 30

This Wednesday, April 30 is the last day to hand in your GOS. We encourage all non permanent teachers to do so, including continuing education teachers. By handing it in you are applying to any job to which you have priority including continuing education and summer school. It will make your life considerably easier and guarantee that you do not miss work at Dawson.

Although you will not lose your priority, if you do not hand in your GOS, you will have to apply to individual postings. If you hand it in, you can still refuse a job.

THE MERCI À VOUS CAMPAIGN

On April 22nd, the DTU invited the CSN to Dawson to promote the Photomaton Tour as part of their Merci à Vous Campaign. The goal of the campaign is to heighten peoples' awareness about the important and often difficult work that public and para- public sector employees do. Many members of the Dawson Community stopped by the Photomaton kiosk to write their own special words of appreciation and have their photos taken, which they were able to share on their own social networks. Reminding the public about the important tasks public sector workers do will help us when we are beginning our negotiations for a new collective agreement.

Many thanks to everyone who made the day a huge success!



DTU, SENATE AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS ELECTIONS

The DTU is holding elections for DTU positions, for Senate and for Board of Governors. The Elections are taking place on:

Wednesday April 30, 2 pm–6pm Upper Atrium

Thursday May 1, 10 am – 4pm Upper Atrium

Friday May 2, 10 am – 4pm Upper Atrium

VOLUNTARY WORKLOAD REDUCTION

The deadline for the VWR leave is MAY 15TH

To be eligible for voluntary workload reduction you must have 3 years of seniority and a full-time load in the year of the work reduction. This type of leave grants you a full-year salary credit for pension purposes.