

DONATIONS

[Executive Committee: 02 May 2006]

The total amount of money to be donated by the Association in a given fiscal year is determined by Members in adopting a budget pursuant to the provisions of the Association bylaw.

Contributions to the *Academic Freedom Fund* of the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) shall not be considered part of the "Donations" line item in the General Operating Fund Budget, but rather shall be a budgeted expenditure from the Defence Fund.

Donations should primarily reflect the direct interests of the Association as the Bargaining Agent of faculty, librarians and counsellors at Ryerson University, however donations to other appropriate causes may be considered as outlined below.

Donations may be loosely grouped as follows:

1) Other Faculty Associations

- a) a donation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall be made to any Faculty Association that is on strike or locked out for at least seventy-two (72) hours.
- b) a second donation of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) shall be made to any Faculty Association that is ineligible for support from the CAUT Defence Fund and remains on strike or locked out after three (3) weeks.
- c) requests for donations from any Faculty Association engaged in extended interest or rights arbitration will be considered by the Executive Committee on an *ad hoc* basis.

2) Other Unions

- a) requests for donations from striking or locked out unions representing workers in the Education sector will be considered by the Executive Committee.

3) Student Organisations

- a) requests for donations from student organisations will be considered based on the scope and nature of the project for which funding is solicited; and
- b) the Political Action Committee of the Representatives' Council may be asked to make a recommendation.

4) Groups with similar goals

- a) requests for donations from groups or organisations whose goals are similar to those of the Association (e.g., Social Justice and Community) will be considered based on the scope and nature of the project for which funding is solicited; and
- b) the Political Action Committee of the Representatives' Council may be asked to make a recommendation.

5) Individuals

- a) where the RFA Office is advised of the death of any active Member, or the death of a member of the immediate family of an active Member (i.e., spouse or child), the Association shall:
 - i) donate one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) to the Ryerson Faculty Association / Ryerson Centre Leadership Awards fund; and
 - ii) convey the condolences of the Association to the survivors, together with an indication of the donation that has been made in the name of the deceased.
- b) the Executive may authorise a donation to an individual only in extenuating circumstances that shall form part of a financial report to the Members.