



1. Grievances

- 1.1 A grievance against the Board for using an unqualified supply teacher has been resolved to our satisfaction.
- 1.2 Another grievance about the dismissal of a member is in abeyance pending the outcome of legal action.
- 1.3 Finally, the grievance about the alleged misuse of consultants by the Board is at Stage 3 with a hearing scheduled for January, 2010.

2. CBC Regional (Windsor)

Unfortunately, harassment is present in many workplaces and it can come from a variety of sources: the employer, students, parents or even other members. Marg McPhail (OSSTF) has agreed to provide an abbreviated version of her workshop at our September Branch Presidents' meeting. This will put each school in a position to have a trained anti-harassment officer at every Branch meeting.

3. Workers' Health and Safety Centre

Electromagnetic fields are an increasingly studied topic today in terms of harmful stray electricity. The Workers' Health and Safety Centre has included workshops on this topic in their health and safety training program to provide employees some knowledge in a little understood area.

4. Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

The last 2008-2009 EAP meeting will be held on June 6. The Family Counselling Centre will provide numbers for the usage of the Lambton Kent District School Board's new EAP website. We would encourage members to investigate the website for the various posted articles on coping with stress (at home and in the workplace), smoking cessation, losing weight and other wellness issues.

5. Golf Tournament

Almost forty participants golfed in the annual OSSTF tournament at Heritage Heights in Petrolia on May 30. The weather was great and the Tilbury group were the 'frequent flyers' to the prize table.