

October 8, 2015

**TO: REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENTS
BRANCHES & FACILITIES**

National Executive Elections

The CATCA BoD met last week in Ottawa and discussed the timing of the National Executive elections as they relate to next year's convention in Halifax. Due to hotel availability, convention is being held April 6-8, 2016 which is a month earlier than normal. As a result, under CATCA's current policy, nominations for the office of President and Executive Vice President would not open until convention was underway and would close 2 weeks later. In keeping with a long standing policy, the BoD felt that nominations should be closed prior to convention, allowing delegates to question candidates as well as permitting any new candidate the opportunity to address delegates. The following resolution was therefore passed:

WHEREAS the principles of transparency, and open, democratic debate represent the norms of CATCA 5454, animating the conduct of Convention and the election of the union's executive officers;

AND WHEREAS the proper scheduling of leadership debates, and convention events and business, call for the clarification of significant dates and deadlines for prospective candidates, and for the benefit of the membership:

IT IS RESOLVED that:

- 1) Nominations of candidates for the offices of President and Executive Vice President shall open on March 16, 2016 at 0900h (ET) and close on March 30 2016 at 1200h (ET). Nominations shall be delivered electronically to the National Office at catca@catca.ca

On Behalf of the Board of Directors;

Peter Duffey
President

Doug Best
Executive Vice President