PURPOSE

Locals are the foundational bedrock upon which the Union is built. The Local Activist Award recognizes outstanding contributions made by a Local activist in their workplace to advance the interest of fellow members.

CRITERIA

- 1. The person nominated for Local Activist Award must have held a position at local level.
- 2. Outstanding contribution will mean service of a very significant nature or service of a high calibre over a period of time; in any case, the service may be at any level of the local but it must have benefited the Local in which the person holds membership.
- 3. A member shall be granted applicant status if nominated during a period of lay-off or on leave without pay.
- 4. Individuals can only be awarded this honour once.

PROCESS

- 1. Nominations for the Local Activist Award will be made by the Executive of a Local, any member in good standing or the National Executive of the Union of National Employees.
- 2. All applications for a Local Activist Award will be referred to the Standing Committee on Communication, Education, Honours and Awards. The Standing Committee shall review all applications and make appropriate recommendations to the National Executive.
- 3. All decisions in the awarding of Local Activist Award will in all circumstances require a two-thirds majority of the National Executive assembled in a regular meeting and voting by secret ballot.
- 4. Local Activist Award may be withdrawn for any act considered prejudicial to the good and welfare of the component.
- Withdrawal of a Local Activist Award will require a motion and two-thirds majority vote of the National Executive assembled at a regular meeting and voting by secret ballot.

AWARD

The award shall consist of a suitably framed certificate and a gift (token of appreciation) not to exceed \$200.

PRESENTATION

The Local Activist Award will be made by the President of the Union of National Employees (or designate) at an appropriate event (the Union of National Employees Triennial Convention, Local Presidents' Conference, Regional Seminar, etc...).

A suitable announcement will be placed on the UNE's web site.