

Association of University and College
Employees
Local 1
2162 Western Parkway
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Ms. Sharon Yandle
WC/NDP
1881 East Hastings St.
Vancouver

Dear Sharon Yandle,

The Association of University and College Employees (Local #1) is bargaining for its first contract with the University of BC. AUCE is asking for an across the board increase of \$225.00. An increase that would begin to eradicate the wage discrimination between men and women workers at UBC. Presently a Clerk 1 requiring high school education plus business training and clerical skills earns \$408.00 on the first step, and an Assistant Technician (Canadian Union of Public Employees) requiring elementary education, no experience as on-the-job training is provided earns \$729.00 on the first step.

AUCE voted 85.5% to strike, if necessary, to back our demands. At this point in time, a strike seems imminent. The University has not come up with an acceptable wage offer. We ask the NDP Women's committee to pass the following resolution:

Resolved that: "The NDP Women's Committee supports AUCE Local #1 in its wage demand of \$225.00 across the board and calls upon the government, specifically the Education Minister Ms. Dailly, to ensure that this demand is met."

The women workers at UBC wish to show not only UBC but all employers of clerical workers that they are no longer going to be able to pay women the abysmally low wages that most women now receive.

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