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Executive Report – Treasurer – Anthea Plummer

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In November 2018, I transitioned from Acting Secretary to the position of elected Treasurer for the UGSW. Since then, I have been on a number of committees, including: the Joint Union Management Committee; the Working Group for No Harassment, No Discrimination, & Whistleblower Protection; the Working Group for Intellectual Property Rights; the Joint Union Labour Council; and the Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights Committee. I have also taken PSAC training to further my skills and knowledge around Grievances and Negotiations. My plan over the next few months, is to continue to take PSAC courses so that I may further my understanding and abilities in key union areas, providing even better representation to our membership.

Since our Fall AGM, we have had less than 6 months of financial transactions, November-April (beginning April). Our audit will occur after May 1st, which will be a review of the UGSW accounts and books for 2018-19. We have continued to use Quickbooks for our accounting and implementation of financial policies, as well as using reimbursement forms for clean and clear financial processing. The financial operations continue to run smoothly with these systems in place and we feel strongly that our audit will go well.

In March, I attended the National PSAC University Round Table in Ottawa. At the Round Table, I learned that the key to furthering our voice and our needs with PSAC National, is to collaborate with and work in solidarity with other locals who share our concerns. We have time between now and the next PSAC National Convention to work with one another and plan how we might create meaningful resolutions that will pass in the broader PSAC context. With this in mind, we can look to the future of our Collective Agreement as well as seek out examples from other Locals who have found solutions to the challenges that we feel we still face with our employer. Planning and strategizing are of the utmost importance, as we continue our union solidarity efforts with other unions.

I plan to continue to work with the executive to further the needs and goals of our members. I want to thank everyone from our executive, stewards group and committees, for their hard work and dedication to the membership. This has been an amazing and productive year for the entire team!