



PRESIDENT'S WEEK IN REVIEW

January 28, 2019 – February 3, 2019

Hello all,

Last week was a pretty standard week at the office, with the exception of some time off taken for the Provincial by-election. And on that note, I'm incredibly proud that long-time friend of Ferry Workers' Sheila Malcolmson was successful in her election. As a result of this, we expect issues important to Ferry Workers to continue to be a focus of Government, including a re-write of the Labour Code, a review of the Employment Standards Act, a modernization of the Workers' Compensation Act, a review of BC Ferries, and much more.

Also last week, I was able to get the 2019 dues invoices out and books in order for the Pacific Coast Maritime Council (with significant help from our Accounting Clerk, Sandra Newton). Over the next few years, I'm hopeful the PCMC will be able to play an expanded role in representing the voices of workers in the Marine Industry in British Columbia. At our PCMC Executive meeting next week, we will be looking to launch an updated website, and look to start an awareness campaign on managerial responsibilities for worker safety, aka. Kill a Worker, Go to Jail.

Next week: A review of a few BC Ferries policy items; a PCMC Executive Meeting in Vancouver; a meeting with MLA Scott Fraser; and the Campaign Against Abuse of Ferry Workers (we'll get a better name) kick-off meeting;

Thanks for reading and I hope to see you soon!

In Solidarity,

BC FERRY & MARINE WORKERS' UNION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G.M.J." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Brother Graeme Johnston
Provincial President