



## **Status of Women and Human Rights Committee Terms of Reference**

### **Purpose**

The mandate of this Committee is to be a forum for Ontario Council members involved with advocacy issues related to the Status of Women and Human Rights (SWHR), in Ontario. This committee, together with the Advocacy Committee, is responsible for the development and communication of CFUW OC SWHR related policies on behalf of the Board. Committee projects/initiatives are expected to be aligned with the biennium theme approved by the OC Board.

### **Activities**

1. The committee acts as a forum for discussion concerning SWHR advocacy on behalf of CFUW Ontario Council. Together with the Education, Legislation and Advocacy Committees, they will assist with tracking current and emerging advocacy issues.
2. They will exchange information concerning advocacy activities and concerns, with the aim of informing multiple levels – clubs, regions and the Board. The committee will represent CFUW OC on SWHR advocacy related matters when requested.
3. Together with the Education, Legislation and Advocacy committees, the SWHR committee develops and maintains administrative procedure for advocacy related communication or activities for Ontario Council. They will be reviewed annually.
4. The committee is expected to produce a year-end report on advocacy activities, for the Ontario Council Annual Report for members.

### **Membership**

- Committee Chair– Board SWHR Chair
- Board Standing Committee Chairs for Advocacy, Education and Legislation
- CFUW OC President
- Policy advisors approved by the Board
- At least two and not more than six other CFUW members

### **Meetings**

The committee will meet a minimum of 3 times per year or when needed.