

Prairie Region Council Rep Reports September 2021

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I'd like to start my report by taking this opportunity to thank everyone for electing me to a second term as the Northern Alberta Geographical Representative at the Prairie Regional Convention. I look forward to working again with the committee and the members.

The prairie region held convention in June of this year after delays due to covid. Much work was accomplished at convention and some great debates and conversations were held on resolutions. While there were some struggles dealing with a virtual convention and using online platforms, in true solidarity we worked together to manage the best we could in lieu of gathering restrictions.

Since convention, I have attended 2 Edmonton Area Council meetings and look forward to working with the area council in the next few years in any capacity I can. The focus right now, is on the upcoming Federal election, with thoughts towards the next provincial election. I've also attended an all committee/prc/staff meeting for the region. These meetings are great places for sharing of ideas on engagement and mobilization. Due to COVID and restrictions, we are all learning new ways to engage with members and build stronger committees, and I have learned things from others that I hope will help build on things in Edmonton and Northern Alberta.

As I'm sure most people are aware, the next Federal election has been called for this September. I ask members to engage with those individuals running for election and ask the questions that are important to you. PSAC national website has resources to help members and the 2021 election toolkit has provided some questions to candidates that many find useful in helping them make a decision on whom to cast the ballot for. Most importantly, please cast a vote!!!!

As we are entering into a 4th wave of this pandemic, I hope everyone stays safe and well.

If anyone has any questions or would like my assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to me and I will endeavor to do my best to assist you.

In Solidarity,
Stasi L'Hirondelle