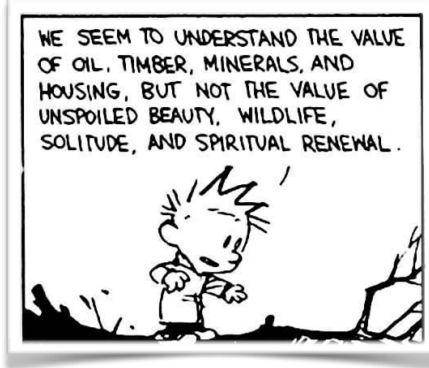


What does VP Advocacy do?

My work plan is described by this singular goal: **Advance the Status of Women** . The President is an integral part of the Advocacy Team. She advises on issues and signs all letters to federal Ministers.



Committees I participate with :

- I chair the Advocacy Standing Committee meeting once a month; it discusses current issues in advocacy provincial and national;
- I chair the Board Advocacy Working Group, which consists of the President, the VP Education, the VP International Relations, the National Advocacy and Policy Specialist, and the Executive Director. We discuss common issues like work load and concerns related to national priorities we share.
- Three Subcommittees come under my guidance:
 - Environment & Climate Change; focusing on Equitable Phase-out of Fossil Fuels;
 - Status of Women & Human Rights; focusing on Women in Skilled Trades & STEM;
 - Adopted Resolutions Book Review; Advocacy Action Document, Archiving.
- I am a guest at the International Relations Committee and the Education Committee. I listen and take note of any impacts and connections that Advocacy and the sub committees might have in those areas;
- I am actively engaged in the AGM/Conference planning Committee, mostly focused on the conference portion of the events, working with the team to find speakers. The Executive Director and President co-chair the committee.
- I coach the Long Term Care/Older Persons' Rights and Saving Canada's Public Healthcare System National Study Groups with the VP Education.
- I work with CAMEUS, the Resolutions Committee, Communications Committee and of course, the National Board.
- I prepare and deliver/host webinars on various topics, such as The Advocacy ToolBox in October. There will be a three part Webinar Series about Creating Collective Impact Against Gender Based Violence, starting in November. Join us.
- Advocacy Cafés will be held regularly to listen and learn from each other about issues and actions in Clubs and to

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answer any questions regarding Advocacy, Education or International Relations.
Drop in to share, listen and learn.

- An Advocacy Project Grant is offered this year. All Clubs are encouraged to apply.

Over the course of this year, it would be a good idea to drop-in to a committee or subcommittee meeting or a Study Group to find out what they do, how they work and whether you might be interested in being part of the action next biennium. *You are always welcome.* Check the Event Calendar on cfuw.org for the meeting date and be in touch with me at vpadvocacy@cfuw.ca for the link to the meeting.