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## LOCAL UNION 1852, CAPE BRETON

### INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

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OFFICIAL NOTICE – Election of Officers – Local 1852

Dear IBEW Local 1852 Brothers and Sisters,

Due to several procedural errors in the recently held Local Union election, we are required to re-run the election using the same eligible candidates which were previously nominated. The positions to be elected are the four Local 1852 Executive Board positions and the position of Business Manager / Financial Secretary / International Convention Delegate. The candidates are the same members who were nominated at the May nomination meeting.

The new election will take place between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the IBEW Local 1852 union hall located at 42 Cossitt Heights Drive, Sydney Nova Scotia.

The ballots will be counted immediately following the closing of the polls, and the results shall be announced immediately after all ballots are counted. A complete listing of the results shall be posted on all union bulletin boards and sent via e-mail on the first business day following the election.

**Absentee ballots shall be available to any member upon written request to the election judge. Requests for Absentee Ballots may be sent via e-mail to [electionjudge1852election2022@gmail.com](mailto:electionjudge1852election2022@gmail.com). Such requests will be accepted up to five days prior to the date of the election, although to ensure mail delivery, requests should be made as soon as possible. With your request, please provide a mailing address where the ballot is to be sent.**

Anyone receiving an absentee ballot will not be entitled to vote at the polls without first presenting the election judge with the unused ballot and the envelope used in the mailing. Absentee ballots received at the post office box after 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, will not be counted. Candidates can be present at the Post Office when the Ballots are collected by the Election Judge. Please contact the Election Judge if you wish to be present.

Please note: if a member is three months behind in dues payments as of the voting date, then they are unable to vote. A member may pay their dues in full prior to voting.

Each candidate may be present or be entitled to an observer at the polling place and during the counting of the ballots. Observers may not interfere with the orderly procedure of the election. There shall be no campaigning or electioneering at the polls or within 50 feet from the entrance to the polling place. No posting, except for instructions, shall be permitted at the polling place.

In the event a runoff election is required, the same shall be held on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (21 days after the election). The same rules shall apply to the runoff election as were applicable to the regular election. Members who requested an absentee ballot for the regular election will automatically receive the same for the runoff.

All officers shall be installed and begin their 3-year terms at the regular meeting of the Local Union on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Any member who believes a protest of the election is warranted is urged to contact the election judge. Further protests of the election may be filed in writing with the International Vice President within 30 days following the election. The decision of the International Vice President shall conclude the processing of the protest within the IBEW.

In solidarity,

Gordie Parsons,

Local 1852 Election Judge.





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July 6, 2022

TO: Members of IBEW Local 1852

Following the recent election of officers in Local 1852, my office received a protest as provided for in the IBEW's policy for Local Union elections. Any member may file a protest with the International Vice President within thirty days following the certification of the election results by the election judge. Upon receipt of the protest, I assigned International Representative Ross Galbraith to investigate all aspects of the election.

The election protest cited four (4) alleged violations of the Local's Bylaws and/or election rules as set forth in IBEW policy. The investigation by Representative Galbraith found that all four allegations were founded, and, of the four allegations, three (3) had the potential to change the outcome of the election. Most importantly, an election for the Executive Board should have taken place but did not.

Given the above, I have ordered a re-run of the election for the offices of Business Manager/Financial Secretary and for the Executive Board positions of which there are four (4). Those candidates who were nominated and found to be in good standing and who remain in good standing for the original election shall stand for the re-run.

In solidarity,

Russ Shewchuk  
International Vice President

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cc: Ross Galbraith, International Representative