



# CFUW Advocacy: Who Does What?

## WHO?

WHO WRITES/SPEAKS	WRITES/SPEAKS TO
<b>National Office/Board</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Signed by National President, on behalf of CFUW</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prime Minister &amp; Ministers</li> <li>On National/International Issues</li> </ul>
<b>Provincial Council/Provincial Regional Director</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Signed by Council President or Provincial Regional Director on letterhead, on behalf of CFUW [<b>Provincial/Regional Council</b>]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Premier &amp; Provincial Ministers</li> <li>On Provincial Issues</li> </ul>
<b>Local Clubs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Signed by Club President or other club executive so empowered, or designated representative, on behalf of <b>CFUW [Club Name]</b></li> <li>On Club letterhead CC'd to Club President</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local MPPs/MLAs/MNAs/MPs</li> <li>CC to relevant Ministers/opposition critics (Shadow Cabinet)</li> <li>On issues of local concern</li> <li>Local Letters to the Editor/Op-Eds</li> </ul>
<b>Individual members of Clubs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not as a representative of CFUW nor a Club, Regional, or National Council</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members are encouraged to act on advocacy as an individual but <b>cannot in any way present themselves as a representative of CFUW or a Club.</b></li> <li>Members should follow the above system when writing "on behalf of CFUW [Club Name]"</li> </ul>

## WHAT?

When writing, or speaking, "on behalf of CFUW/CFUW [Club Name]" and asking for some action, this **must be based on CFUW policy** as found in the *CFUW Adopted Resolutions Book*.

## NO POLICY?

- Letters and e-mails may be written asking for information – "Our club is studying ..."
- A local/Club position statement shall be approved by the membership before committing to a course of action
- Local advocacy policy must not be contrary to CFUW policy when addressing issues to local representatives

## ADVOCACY BEYOND YOUR LOCAL AREA?

If Clubs wish to advocate beyond their local area, please contact either the National Office, Provincial Council, or Regional Director. Please contact the National Office about issues pertaining to one of CFUW's national priorities. If Clubs wish to advocate on an international issue, contact the National Office or VP International Relations.

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