



**ASPAA PRESIDENT'S REPORT
PRESENTED FOR THE AGM
APRIL 20, 2026**

It has been an exciting year for ASPAA! However, before I touch on the highlights of the past year, I want to acknowledge and give thanks to our past President Adi Manek who, despite stepping down from his role of president, has offered enormous support and encouragement to both me and to our executives as we transitioned into our roles. Adi's vast knowledge of the University, ASPAA policy, and human nature, has been an immeasurable help to us. Thank you for your continued dedication and service to ASPAA, Adi!

Further, I need to thank our ASPAA Executive for the hard work, enthusiasm, and the willingness to collaborate that the executive has put into their work with ASPAA. Each member contributes to ASPAA's success. Our Vice-Presidents, Alexis Dahl and Candice Pete-Cardoso, are responsible for much heavy lifting behind the scenes, and they embody the leadership skills of great union leaders. Thank you to you both for your advocacy for our members. Indeed, our Executive membership is comprised of people who walk their talk and who enthusiastically volunteer their time and their skills to our union. Your service is to be commended.

Finally, I must offer my humble thanks to our Member Services Officer Shayne Meggs and our Administrative and Financial Assistant Angeline Hainstock. Our staff are the lifeblood of our organization. Shayne, thank you for continually advocating for our members. Your dedication, your iron will, and your care for others is conveyed when members reach out to us. Angeline, thank you for everything you do to keep the daily functioning and the financial side of our organization afloat. On a daily basis, you dexterously handle many multi-faceted tasks and issues, and you are a wealth of knowledge for all things ASPAA. We are grateful to have you both as our valued employees.

Now on to the accomplishments of the year! We were happy to have the Executive travel to Prince Albert to meet with ASPAA staff at PA Campus. The Presidents then travelled to Regina to meet with Regina ASPAA members, and both were well attended. We will be making these trips an annual event. ASPAA was proud to host several Lunch and Learn sessions this year, including a session on Bargaining and the Collective Agreement and a session on Indigenous Specific Clauses in the Collective Agreement. Our social events were well attended, including the Scoops of Solidarity, the Winter Social, and the Pizza Lunch. We also finalized the process to form a committee on Artificial Intelligence that is forthcoming in the next few months.

Our members are actively engaging in union training activities. Again, this year, ASPAA sent seven members to the Saskatchewan Federation of Labour (SFL) Occupational Health and Safety Convention, two members to the SFL Pensions Conference, and we will be sending nine members to the SFL Union Spring School in Moose Jaw at the end of April. We continue to promote the SFL Summer Camp as we are currently sponsoring two of our members children.

ASPAA was pleased to offer a bargaining workshop to members interested in learning more about bargaining and who might be interested in putting their names forward for the ASPAA Bargaining Committee. Hugh Wagner facilitated the workshop, and we had over twenty participants sign up for the two-day event. ASPAA submitted our Notice to Bargain to the Employer, and we will announce our bargaining team shortly. As well, our ASPAA staff members are working on their first collective agreement with the Canadian Office and Professional Employees Union (COPE), and we are pleased to be working together with them to finalize this agreement.

Our Member Services Officer's report highlights the "business" end of our organization and the nuts and bolts of how our ASPA assists and advocates for our membership. However, I would like to acknowledge in this report how much our membership has grown over the past few years. **As of March 2026, ASPA has 1690 members.** This is a time of incredible growth for us. ASPA's pledge to our membership is to always advocate for you so that you are respected, protected, and flourish in your work. It has been an honour serving as president this year, and again, our team, and our collective voices and actions are what make us strong.

Please feel free to reach out with any comments, concerns, or inquiry's you may have to me at robert@aspasask.ca.

General Office

Our Administrative and Financial Assistant, Angeline Hainstock, is on campus Monday – Friday in Kirk Hall, room 304 (8:30am – 4:30pm). You can contact us any time on 306.966.2471 or by email at aspa@aspasask.ca or, if you are in the area, please feel to pop by the office and say hi.

ASPA Awards

If you were a recipient of an ASAP service awards and have not received an email to pick it up, please contact Angeline directly at angeline@aspasask.ca.

In Solidarity,
Rob Procyk
ASPA President 2025 – 2026