



WVMEA NEWS BULLETIN

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WELCOME WVCC PERSONAL TRAINERS

We are happy to announce that the Personal Trainers at the West Vancouver Community Center have officially joined the WVMEA! As of July 1, 2024, these employees have become members of our organization. Please join us in welcoming this expanded membership group. If anyone is aware of other groups of employees working within the District of West Vancouver, that are not part of the WVMEA, please reach out to Catalin Fota at cfota@wvmea.com.

DATABASE PROJECT UPDATE

It is hard to believe that the WVMEA has been working on this project for almost two years. It has been quite the journey from the initial ask, through the development of scope, the request for proposal process, adjudication and the final approval. Earlier this spring the contract for the project was awarded, and we have been working with Pixel Architect to develop and design this custom database. We are in the final stages with hopes to have the database go live in the next couple of weeks. At the 'Go Live' phase each member will be sent an email (to the personal email that we have on file) with instructions on how log into the 'Member Portal.' We will be asking members to check that their contact information is correct and update it if needed.

How can you help us? With any database the key to success is good data, to have good data we need current information about you. If you have moved or use a different email for you regular communication, please update us. You can do this by sending us an email to membership@wvmea.com or calling us at (604) 925-7447. The other big help would be to discuss this project with your colleagues. Ask them if they received this current Newsletter, if they have not, it is probably because we have the wrong email. Please get them to reach out to us to update their file.

OFFICE PAINTING

The WVMEA office is being painted next week, so office staff will be working remotely from October 7-11th, 2024. While the office is closed you will still be able to get a hold of us by phone or by email. If any member would like to meet in-person with [Catalin](#) or [Phyllis](#) during this time, please reach out to them directly to pre- arrange a meeting.

UPCOMING GM MEETING

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THE DATE

Our next **General Membership Meeting** is scheduled for **5:00 pm on Thursday, November 7, 2024** and will be held **online via Zoom**. **All members interested in joining this upcoming meeting must [register online](#) in order to receive the meeting link.** This new procedure eliminates the need for the virtual waiting room and helps start these meetings in a timely manner.

This will be the fourth of five meetings of the 2024-2025 meeting year. General Membership meetings provide the best opportunity for communication and feedback between members, office staff and the Executive Board. By attending this meeting, you will fulfill your annual meeting requirement (if you have not already done so) and have the opportunity to win one of the \$100 door prizes. We hope you will join us. Please click on the links below to access the Meeting Registration, the Meeting Agenda, and the list of Meeting Dates.

- [General Membership Meeting Registration](#)
- [November 7th General Membership Meeting Agenda](#)
- [2024-2025 General Membership Meeting Dates](#)

MUNICIPAL PENSION RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

The MPRA is an association of retirees that promotes the interest and welfare of its members in the Municipal Pension Plan. This Association just celebrated 20 year of supporting it's members. The MPRA advocates for better Cost of Living Allowance, and improvements to Group Health. They share knowledge and experience, as well as provide a network for retirees.

In addition, they offer social opportunities to join other retired members at District meetings where a variety of activities occur, such as guest speakers, discussions about hot topics, coffee, walking groups, and door prizes. And best of all, Membership is FREE for the first year you apply. If you are an employee that is nearing retirement or has retired, you may find it of value to join this association. For more information please visit their website at www.mpra.ca.

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