

Dr. Paul Abela has given many years of selfless service to AUFA. He has served on the Executive, the budget advisory committee, the pension committee, the travel committee, the harassment policy committee, and several pre-negotiating committees (including the extremely labour-intensive Proposals Review Committee). He is to be particularly commended for taking on the difficult and long-term position of Senior Grievance Officer after a number of years as Junior Grievance Officer. Dr. Abela is also a fearless and ceaseless advocate for faculty interests in fora external to AUFA such as Faculty Council and Senate, where he can always be counted on to put hard questions to the administration with precision, politeness, and persistence.

Dr. Anna Kiefte is presently serving on the AUFA Executive (2015-17), and has been a staunch supporter of the AUFA since coming to Acadia in 2006. Beginning her AUFA tenure on the Food Committee during the strike of 2008, Dr. Kiefte was instrumental in obtaining sabbatical leave as a member of the Negotiating Team of the 13th Collective Agreement in 2010-11. She also served on the Joint Occupational Health & Safety Committee (2009-10), twice on the Nominating Committee (2010-14), Negotiating Team for 13th Collective Agreement wage reopener (2013), thrice on the Financial Benefits Committee (2013-16), Appointments, Renewal and Promotion Committee (2014-15), and Budget Advisory Committee (2015-15). She has also worked on Constitutional Amendments (2015-16) and was instrumental in putting together our Travel Assistance Policy (2016), and is currently the AUFA Department Rep for Physics.