

We welcome the opportunity to report to GSU members. GSU is your union and it is your right to be informed about its administration.

GSU Constitution and Bylaws

As a result of the additional divesture of agro operations flowing from the Viterra/ Agrium transactions, Local 20 was established comprising members of the union employed by CHS Canada at Edenwold.

Additional constitutional amendments were approved by delegates to GSU's 2016 Biennial Policy Convention. The amendments in question deleted of references to Locals 3, 11, and 12 in sections 5.1, 8.3, 8.10, 8.12, and 9.2 of the Constitution, since said Locals are now defunct.

Reference to Local 20 was added to sections 5.1, 8.20 and 9.2 of the Constitution and Section 8.16 - Local 17 was amended to change the name of the employer to Discovery Co-operative Ltd.

GSU Administration

The audited financial statements included with this report show that GSU had a very modest \$2,308 surplus in its operating fund, but this was only possible as a result of a transfer of \$100,000 from the GSU Defense Fund towards the end of 2015.

The \$100,000 transfer was necessary largely to cover the cost of renovations to the GSU office building (\$44,645) and a deficit in the certification protection fund (\$37,802). Delegates to GSU's 2016 convention passed a resolution to treat the \$100,000 as a nonrepayable operating grant. The final decision rests with the Defense Fund Board of Directors.

Despite lower dues revenue resulting from job losses, high arbitration and high legal expenses, GSU continues to be in good financial shape as the December 31, 2015 balance sheet shows. All of GSU's financial commitments are current and the union continues to have a solid financial base.

GSU has also taken steps to reduce expenses, primarily by eliminating a union staff position in 2016.

Wage loss for bargaining committee members and other bargaining expenses will grow compared to the previous year, as agreement renewal bargaining for Locals 1, 2, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 carries over into 2016. In addition, the collective agreements for Locals 4, 5 and 9 will be open for bargaining in 2016.

It is also anticipated legal expenses will not decline as much as we would like as a result of litigation in relation to CPS's application under the Saskatchewan Employment Act to remove Ag Retail Managers from Local 15's bargaining unit.

Expenses incurred in protecting employees' rights or bargaining improved collective agreements are the cost of doing business and GSU's administration always looks for savings wherever they can be found, but your union will not be turned away from the commitment to serve members because money has to be spent.

Our Challenges

GSU will confront major challenges in 2016 in relation to agreement renewal bargaining with Viterra, CPS and the Co-ops, where some employers are seeking concessions and weakening of employees' collective agreement rights.

Locals 1 and 2 will be first into the fray, since Viterra has served notice of a bargaining dispute and a request for conciliation under Part 1 of the Canada Labour Code. If there is no bargaining settlement at the end of the 60 day conciliation process, the parties could be in a lockout/strike position following a 21-day cooling off period. Any strike action by Local 1 or 2 members is subject to a secret ballot vote of the members.

Local 15 members may not be far behind, as their bargaining – although conducted under the Saskatchewan Employment Act – could end up in a similar dispute/ conciliation/lockout/strike situation by mid-summer.

Members working for Locals 16, 17, 18, and 19 could be in the same boat.

Notwithstanding the challenges posed by the antics of employers, the biggest hurdles for us to overcome are fear and disunity. GSU has the resources to wage the battle against bad collective agreements being proposed by employers, but the first step toward success is members' willingness to stand together and take action.

Bargaining for decent wages and working conditions is an integral part of the work our union does, and this is always affected by up and down drafts in the market economy.

Nobody knows this better than members working in manufacturing for Advance Engineered Products Ltd. (AEPL) in Regina, where 135 members were informed on April 10, 2015 that their employment was being terminated. This action stemmed from the company's application to the court of Queen's Bench to seek protection from its creditors under the provisions of the Companies' Creditors Arrangements Act (CCAA) while it reorganized its finances. In the ensuing months, AEA/GSU Local 8 pursued a drawn out battle to recover wages owed to the laid-off workers. Eventually, approximately 50 cents on the dollar was recovered, which is not enough, but is far better than the fate of other unsecured creditors.

Along the way, Local 8 members who still had jobs in manufacturing agreed to the equivalent of a 15 percent wage cut in order to cinch the sale of the business to Ironbridge Equity Partners. This was a bitter but necessary pill to swallow and it underlines the need for far better wage protection legislation in Canada.

When the dust settled in the AEPL saga, GSU's legal bills totaled more than \$25,000, not to mention the hundreds of hours of elected officer time devoted to the struggle.

There were also some important firsts in 2015 as GSU Local 14 managed to bargain an improved first agreement with Richardson International after only six days of bargaining. It took even less time for Local 20 to bargain a renewed collective agreement with CHS Canada.

After more than a year of on again, off again bargaining, Local 7 reached a settlement with Heartland Livestock in February 2016. Compared to other bargained settlements in Saskatchewan, Local 7's new agreement provides better than average wage increases, but still leaves wage rates in the livestock yards too far behind the provincial herd.

In May 2015, members of Local 6 approved a new agreement with Wild West Steelhead that expires at the end of February 2018. It provides annual wage increases of three percent per year over the life of the three year collective agreement. Through their hard bargaining, Local 6 members were also able to do better than the average of bargained settlements in Saskatchewan.

Bargaining by GSU Local 4 with Grain Millers began in February 2016 and has quickly moved into a zone where a settlement is possible. The existing collective agreement expires March 31, 2016.

Meanwhile, the collective agreement between GSU Local 9 and Hi-Pro Feeds expired December 31, 2015 and is off to a much slower start. That said, the employer's bargaining spokesperson has assured GSU that retroactivity will not be an issue.

To round out GSU's bargaining agenda, members of Local 5 will head to the bargaining table this summer as their agreement with Western Producer Publications Partnership expires July 31, 2016.

Expenses incurred in protecting employees' rights or bargaining improved collective agreements are the cost of doing business. GSU's administration always looks for savings wherever they can be found, but your union will not be turned away from the commitment to serve members because money has to be spent. There is no shortage of issues as the bean counters at WPP's parent company constantly snip about the edges of bargaining unit work and increasingly shift to digital replacement of the traditional newspaper platform.

All in all, GSU's plate is full in 2016. A big collective effort will be needed to wipe it clean by the end of the year. Nonetheless, your elected officers and union staff are confident the job will get done.

GSU Defense Fund

At December 31, 2015, the GSU Defense Fund had assets just short of \$3.6 million, based on market values.

As mentioned earlier in this report, \$100,000 was advanced to GSU operations to address the 2015 operating deficit. Delegates to GSU's 2016 Policy Convention voted to recommend that the Defense Fund Board of Directors treat the \$100,000 as a non-repayable operating grant.

In fall 2015 GSU's Executive Committee submitted a motion to annual membership meetings recommending continuation of the additional dues being paid to the GSU Defense Fund. The motion was voted on and approved by 75.37 percent of the members who voted.

Accordingly, the additional dues will continue to be paid in 2016 and will be voted on again at the annual meeting in the fall.

Federal and Provincial Elections

Canadians elected a new national government in October 2015. Hopefully, it will deliver on its promises of renewal, compassion, transparency and support for the middle class. It is our job as citizens and union members to hold the new government to its commitments.

In April 2016, Saskatchewan voters will have an opportunity to elect a provincial government, and your leadership believes it is essential for working people to actively engage in the political process. Elections matter and governments matter. Democracy makes a difference, and the political parties are not all the same.

The challenge to the collective bargaining and union representation rights of GSU members employed by CPS as Ag Retail Managers are the direct result of a policy decision made by the current provincial government, over the opposition of working people and their unions. This fact alone should give all of us cause to carefully consider who we are going to vote for.

We urge every GSU member to get involved in the upcoming Saskatchewan provincial election and to vote for the candidate of the party you believe has supported your rights as a worker. You're best placed to decide who that is, and to encourage your colleagues, family and friends to do likewise.

2016 Policy Convention

From March 17 to 19, 2016, GSU held its 12 Biennial Policy Convention. Delegates from around the union gathered to review and develop the union's policies and administration for the next two years.

The policy convention is a very important event in GSU's ongoing work, as the officers responsible for administering the union are elected for two-year terms of office and their policy platform is set by the convention delegates.

GSU president Jim Brown, vice-presidents Michelle Houlden and Brett North, and general secretary Hugh Wagner were elected at the 2016 policy Convention. They will be responsible for administering the union and reporting to the Joint Executive Council for the next two years.

Convention delegates also elected a board of directors for the GSU Defense Fund. Dave Boulding, Lindsey Hertlein, Brian Lark, Dennis Piasta, Sharlene Tetrault, and alternate director Ron Gerlock will serve on the board of directors for the next two years.

In June 2016 GSU will mark the 80th anniversary of the union's founding in 1936. Then as now, GSU's mission is to adapt and change, while continuing to promote the core values of collective action, community, equality and unity.

Democracy and Unions

In the coming days we will be tested as we pursue the goal of a better working life for ourselves and those of the next generations. Let us never forget that the most reliable and endurable defenders of our democratic society are the union movement, social activists, and our allies.

Through affiliation with ILWU Canada, GSU is part of a larger union family that recently welcomed Grain Workers Union into the fold. In addition to warmly welcoming GWU, we look forward to working closely with them as we confront the same opponents.

We have benefited from the friendship and support of the officers and members of ILWU Canada. We thank them and look forward to continuing to build a unique and democratic alliance for the good of working people.

We urge every GSU member to get involved in the upcoming Saskatchewan provincial election and to vote for the candidate of the party you believe has supported your rights as a worker. You're best placed to decide who that is, and to encourage your colleagues, family and friends to do likewise. The union movement was founded on the principles that what we have for ourselves we want for all others, and an injury to one is an injury to all. We can't possibly sustain our good fortune – or improve on it – if others around us are experiencing the destruction of their rights, habitat and welfare.

If we sacrifice our freedom for the false promise of security, ultimately we will have neither.

Solidarity,

ON BEHALF OF THE JOINT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF GRAIN & GENERAL SERVICES UNION (ILWU•CANADA)

Hugh Wagner

General Secretary

PresidentJim BrownVice PresidentsMichelle Houlden
Brett NorthLocal 1 - ViterraVps/MaintenanceTravis BrewerWilfred HarrisLocal 2 - ViterraHead OfficeMichelle HoferKevin WagnerLocal 4 - GrainIlresRay AllenTerry Schultz

Local 5 - Western Producer Kim Quintin Local 6 - Wild West Steelhead James Jones Local 7 - Heartland Livestock Heather Mackay Local 8 - Advance Employees' Assoc. Dion Elliot Steve Holliday Doug Murray Local 9 - HiPro Kelly Saretzky Local 13 - IATSE 295 Susan Schrader Local 14 - Richardson Lindsey Hertlein Dennis Piasta Local 15 - Agrium/CPS Brian Cowan Carolyn Illerbrun Brent Pelechaty Local 16-20



GSU elected officers and Defense Fund directors take their Oath of Office at GSU's 2016 biennial policy convention March 19, 2016.

(Back row, l-r) Lindsey Hertlein, Defense Fund director; Brian Lark, Defense Fund director; Sharlene Tetrault, Defense Fund director; Dave Boulding, Defense Fund director; and Hugh Wagner, general secretary.

(Front row, l-r) Michelle Houlden, GSU vice president; Jim Brown, GSU president; and Brett North, GSU vice president.

Missing from photo: Dennis Piasta, Defense Fund director; and Ron Gerlock, alternate Defense Fund director.

Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2015

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The financial statements of Grain and General Services Union (ILWU. Canada) have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. When alternative accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances. These statements include certain amounts based on management's estimates and judgments. Management has determined such amounts based on a reasonable basis in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

The integrity and reliability of Grain and General Services Union (ILWU. Canada)'s reporting systems are achieved through the use of formal policies and procedures, the careful selection of employees and an appropriate division of responsibilities. These systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is reliable and accurate.

The Joint Executive Council is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibility for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Council meets periodically with management and the members' auditors to review significant accounting, reporting and internal control matters. Following its review of the financial statements and discussions with the auditors, the Council reports to the members prior to their approval of the financial statements. The Council also considers, for review and approval by the members, the engagement or re-appointment of the external auditors.

The financial statements have been audited on behalf of the members by MWC Chartered Professional Accountants LLP, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards.

General Secretary

President

Regina, Sask March 18, 2016



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Grain and General Services Union (ILWU. Canada)

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Grain and General Services Union (ILWU. Canada), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2015 and the statements of operations and net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Grain and General Services Union (ILWU. Canada) *(continued)*

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Grain and General Services Union (ILWU. Canada) as at December 31, 2015 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

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Chartered Professional Accountants

Regina, Saskatchewan March 18, 2016

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2015

	One	erating Fund	Soli	darity Fund	П	efense Fund	ertification Protection Fund	2015	2014
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ASSETS									
CURRENT									
Cash	\$	96,829	\$	10,045	\$	382,932	\$ 6,678	\$ 496,484	\$ 361,03
Dues receivable		77,405		507		8,600	-	86,512	121,87
Source deductions receivable		-		-		-	-	-	1,18
Prepaid expenses		10,934		-		-	-	10,934	7,27
Interfund (Note 8)		(80,120)		26,160		104,277	(50,317)	-	-
		105,048		36,712		495,809	(43,639)	593,930	491,367
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 3)		194,818		92		-	-	194,910	159,70
INTANGIBLE ASSETS (Note 4)		2,119		-		-	-	2,119	4,23
INVESTMENTS (Note 5)		-		-		3,095,337	-	3,095,337	3,090,03
	\$	301,985	\$	36,804	\$	3,591,146	\$ (43,639)	\$ 3,886,296	\$ 3,745,337
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS									
CURRENT									
Accounts payable (Note 6)	\$	79,096	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 79,096	\$ 70,024
NTERFUND LOAN (Note 8)		46,399		-		(46,399)	-	-	-
LONG-TERM DEBT (Note 7)		40,000		-		-	-	40,000	40,000
		165,495		-		(46,399)	-	119,096	110,024
NET ASSETS (DEBT)		136,490		36,804		3,637,545	(43,639)	3,767,200	3,635,31
	\$	301,985	\$	36,804	\$	3,591,146	\$ (43,639)	\$ 3,886,296	\$ 3,745,337

Approved by the Council:

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Officer

Officer

See accompanying notes

Statement of Operations and Net Assets

For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

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	Ор	erating Fund	Soli	darity Fund	D	efense Fund		Fund		2015		2014
REVENUES												
Membership dues (Note 9)	\$	1,186,064	\$	10,349	\$	154,203	\$	-	\$	1,350,616	\$	1,415,256
Other income	Ψ	2,863	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ŷ	2,863	Ψ	4,333
Investment income (loss)		(4,201)		2		136,381		-		132,182		102,826
Realized gains (losses)		-				11,437		-		11,437		50,119
Unrealized gains (losses)		-		-		(87,830)		-		(87,830)		104,550
		1,184,726		10,351		214,191		-		1,409,268		1,677,084
EXPENSES (Schedules 1 & 2)												
Meetings		116,738		_		2,782		37,299		156,819		167,258
Administration		946,294		23		52,319		-		998,636		1,106,386
Affiliation and organization		81,900		2,550		_		-		84,450		101,178
Building		37,476		-		-		-		37,476		37,889
		1,182,408		2,573		55,101		37,299		1,277,381		1,412,711
EXCESS OF REVENUES (EXPENSES)		2,318		7,778		159,090		(37,299)		131,887		264,373
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR		134,172		29,026		3,478,455		(6,340)		3,635,313		3,370,940
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$	136,490	\$	36,804	\$	3,637,545	\$	(43,639)	\$		\$	3,635,313

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Орє	rating Fund	Soli	darity Fund	De	efense Fund	ertification Protection Fund	2015	2014
OPERATING ACTIVITIES									
Excess of revenues (expenses) Items not affecting cash: Realized (gains) losses on sale	\$	2,318	\$	7,778	\$	159,090	\$ (37,299)	\$ 131,887	\$ 264,373
of investments Unrealized (gains) losses on market value adjustment Amortization		-		-		(11,437)	-	(11,437)	(50,119)
		- 11,530		- 23		87,830 -	-	87,830 11,553	(104,550) 10,250
		13,848		7,801		235,483	(37,299)	219,833	119,954
Changes in non-cash working capital		31,965		175		9,819	-	41,959	(936)
Net cash from investing activities		45,813		7,976		245,302	(37,299)	261,792	119,018
INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchase of capital assets Net change in investments		(44,645) -		- -		- (81,698)	-	(44,645) (81,698)	(7,514) (245,660)
Cash flow from (used by) investing activities		(44,645)		-		(81,698)	-	(126,343)	(253,174)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES Interfund transfers Repayment of interfund loan		118,938 (43,199)		304 -		(156,544) 43,199	37,302 -	-	-
Net cash from financing activities		75,739		304		(113,345)	37,302	-	_
NET CHANGE IN CASHFLOW		76,907		8,280		50,259	3	135,449	(134,156)
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR		19,922		1,765		332,673	6,675	361,035	495,191
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$	96,829	\$	10,045	\$	382,932	\$ 6,678	\$ 496,484	\$ 361,035

See accompanying notes

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2015

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Grain and General Services Union (ILWU. Canada) (the Union) is a not-for-profit organization and as such, it is exempt from income taxes. Its sole purpose is to represent employees of:

- Local 1 Viterra (operations and maintenance)
- Local 2 Viterra (head office)
- Local 3 Unisource Canada Inc.
- Local 4 Grain Millers Canada Corp.
- Local 5 Western Producer Publications (GVIC)
- Local 6 Wild West Steelhead
- Local 7 Heartland Livestock Services
- Local 8 Advance Employees Assoc.
- Local 9 Hi-Pro Feeds
- Local 11 PrintWest Communications
- Local 12 Hillcrest Farms
- Local 13 IATSE #295
- Local 14 Richardson Pioneer
- Local 15 Agrium/Crop Production Services
- Local 16 Prince Albert Co-operative Assoc.
- Local 17 Battlefords and District Co-operative Ltd.
- Local 18 Lloydminster and District Co-operative Assoc.
- Local 19 Prairie Co-operative Ltd.
- Local 20 CHS

The Union is certified to represent these employees by the Canada Labour Code and the appropriate Provincial Labour Relations Acts. The Union also provides administrative, arbitration, bargaining and research services.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNFPO).

Revenue recognition

Membership dues are recognized in the period in which they are withheld from the member by the bargaining unit.

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Year Ended December 31, 2015

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Fund accounting

A portion of the monies received by the Union may only be used for specific purposes and accordingly are accounted for in separate funds. Temporary transfers of monies between these funds are recorded as interfund receivables/payables. Permanent transfers are recorded as transfers in the net asset accounts.

The Union follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions.

The Operating Fund records the day to day operations of the Union.

The <u>Solidarity Fund</u> is to assist international and local development projects at the discretion of the Joint Executive Council.

The <u>Defense Fund</u> receives local strike assessments and supports members in the event of a dispute.

The <u>Certification Protection Fund</u> is to compensate members who are off the job while being trained to manage decertification situations; to pay the collective bargaining expenses and legal expenses of Locals 1 and 2 associated with maintaining GSU collective agreements and union members' union representation rights during the takeover of Viterra by Glencore PLC and the subsequent divesture of Viterra operations; and to pay the first agreement bargaining expenses of Local 9.

Capital assets

Capital assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortization and are amortized over their estimated useful lives at the following rates and methods:

Buildings	5%	declining balance method
Equipment and furniture	20%	declining balance method
Land improvements	10 years	straight-line method

The Union regularly reviews its capital assets to eliminate obsolete items. A full year's amortization is taken in the year of acquisition.

Intangible assets

The database is being amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life of five years.

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Year Ended December 31, 2015

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Foreign currency translation

Accounts in foreign currencies have been translated into Canadian dollars using the temporal method. Under this method, monetary assets and liabilities have been translated at the year end exchange rate. Non-monetary assets have been translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the date of transaction. Revenues and expenses have been translated at the average rates of exchange during the year, except for amortization, which has been translated at the same rate as the related assets.

Foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary assets and liabilities are included in the determination of earnings.

Financial instruments policy

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued. In subsequent periods, financial assets with actively traded markets are reported at fair value, with any unrealized gains and losses reported in income. All other financial instruments are reported at amortized cost, and tested for impairment at each reporting date. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale, or issue of financial instruments are expensed when incurred.

The Union has elected to value all investments in debt instruments at fair market value rather than amortized cost.

Financial assets including cash and accounts receivable are reported at amortized cost. All investments are reported at fair market value.

Financial liabilities including accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and long-term debt are reported at amortized cost.

3. CAPITAL ASSETS

	 Cost	 cumulated ortization	N	2015 et book value	Ν	2014 let book value
Land Buildings Equipment and furniture Land improvements	\$ 75,000 180,270 157,572 10,343	\$ - 78,805 145,332 4,137	\$	75,000 101,465 12,239 6,206	\$	75,000 62,160 15,301 7,240
	\$ 423,185	\$ 228,274	\$	194,910	\$	159,701

As a requirement of owing real property, the Union holds beneficial title to the assets through a bare trustee Grain Services Holdings Inc.

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2015

4.	INTANGIBLE ASSETS			
		2015		2014
	Database system software Accumulated amortization	\$ 10,59 (8,47		5 10,596 (6,358)
		\$ 2,11	9\$	4,238
5.	INVESTMENTS	2015		2014
	Equity investments Preferred shares RBC mutual funds Fixed income bonds	\$ 1,165,76 240,47 366,48 1,322,60	4 5	1,130,970 286,116 381,441 1,291,504
		\$ 3,095,33	7 \$	3,090,031

Fixed income bonds have interest rates between 1.70% and 6.50% (2014 - 1.70% to 6.50%) and mature between February 2017 and December 2106 (2014 - December 2017 and December 2106).

6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Included in accounts payable are the following balances:

	 2015	2014		
Trade payable	\$ 47,173	\$	37,586	
Vacation payable Source deductions payable Interest payable	24,324 6,483 1,116		31,238 - 1,200	
	\$ 79,096	\$	70,024	

7. LONG-TERM DEBT

Loan payable to Local 2 with no specific repayment terms and currently paying interest at 2.79%. The loan is unsecured.

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2015

8. INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND BALANCE

During 2015, the operating fund administered funds on behalf of the Defense, Certification Protection, and Solidarity Funds, which resulted in the following payable (receivable):

		2014	
Solidarity Fund Defense Fund - non-interest bearing Certification Protection Fund	\$	26,160 104,277 (50,317)	\$ 26,463 (52,266) (13,019)
Operating Fund Defense Fund - interest bearing		80,120 46,399	(38,822) 89,598
	\$	126,519	\$ 50,776

A portion of the funds advanced to the Operating Fund are treated as a term loan with monthly repayments and an interest rate of 6.00% per annum and is repayable in monthly blended payments of \$3,950. The loan is secured by a promissory note.

9. MEMBERSHIP DUES

Funds received by the Operating Fund related to membership dues were:

	2(015	2014
Local 1 (Viterra operations and maintenance) Local 2 (Viterra head office) Local 3 (Unisource Canada Inc.) Local 4 (Grain Millers Canada Corp.)	7	71,823 75,378 105 79,837	\$ 364,069 80,204 208 79,408
Local 5 (Western Producer Publications (GVIC)) Local 6 (Wild West Steelhead) Local 7 (Heartland Livestock Services)	ŧ	50,944 9,884 12,106	52,871 8,224 13,654
Local 8 (Advance Employees Assoc.) Local 9 (Hi-Pro Feeds) Local 11 (PrintWest Communications)	2	23,928 28,914 4,815	59,793 25,556 7,311
Local 12 (Hillcrest Farms) Local 13 (IATSE #295) Local 14 (Richardson Pioneer)	ç	369 583 90,867	531 755 102,722
Local 15 (Agrium/Crop Production Services) Local 16 (Prince Albert Co-operative Assoc.) Local 17 (Battlefords and District Co-operative Ltd.))6,258 7,865 5,735	407,632 8,861 5,743
Local 18 (Lloydminster and District Co-operative Assoc.) Local 19 (Prairie Co-operative Ltd.) Local 20 (CHS)		3,973 7,986 4,694	4,475 6,699 533
	\$ 1,18	36,064	\$ 1,229,249

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2015

9.	MEMBERSHIP DUES (continued)				
		 2015	2014		
	Funds received by the Defense Fund (excluding interest): Local 1 (Viterra operations and maintenance) Local 2 (Viterra head office) Local 4 (Grain Millers Canada Corp.) Local 5 (Western Producer) Local 6 (Wild West Steelhead) Local 7 (Heartland Livestock) Local 8 (Advance Employees Assoc.) Local 9 (Hi-Pro Feeds) Local 12 (Hillcrest Farms) Local 13 (IATSE #295) Local 14 (Richardson Pioneer) Local 15 (Agrium/Crop Production Services) Local 16 (Prince Albert Co-op) Local 17 (Battlefords and District Co-op) Local 18 (Lloydminster and District Co-op) Local 19 (Prairie Co-op) Local 20 (CHS)	\$ 44,060 9,148 9,622 5,926 2,167 2,030 12,980 3,852 227 120 11,205 49,566 802 690 661 572 575	\$	43,514 9,222 10,723 6,708 2,234 2,430 27,140 3,367 120 145 12,975 54,139 1,130 660 480 1,030 45	
		\$ 154,203	\$	176,062	

10. LEASE COMMITMENTS

The Union has long-term leases with respect to its office equipment. Future minimum lease payments as at December 31, 2015 are as follows:

2016	\$ 11,593
2017	8,379
2018	6,561
2019	2,880

11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Union is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and management is responsible to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. The following analysis provides information about the Union's risk exposure and concentration as of December 31, 2015.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss resulting from default of financial obligations by a debtor to the Union. These obligations are primarily dues withheld from employees that are due to the Union and it is management's opinion this risk is low since dues are remitted promptly.

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11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk of financial loss in the event that the Union will not be able to fund obligations as they become due. Liquidity risk is not considered significant because the Union has historically been able to access resources of the defense fund. In the event of a prolonged strike with a larger local this risk would increase.

Market risk

Market Risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency rate risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. The Union is mainly exposed to currency rate risk and interest rate risk.

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk to the Union's earnings that arise from fluctuations of foreign exchange rates and the degree of volatility of these rates. The Union is exposed to foreign currency exchange risk on investments held in U.S. dollars. The Union does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to foreign currency risk. At yearend the Union has \$415,775 (2014 \$318,173) CDN of US investments.

Interest rate risk

The Union's interest rate risk is nominal. While interest rate fluctuations affect the return on investments, this can be managed.

Due to the nature of investments and their susceptibility to changes in market value, interest rate risk is reflected in the market value of the investments, as reported in Note 5.

While the Union does have some long term debt, the interest is at market rate and the term loan is owed to a related partner union.

12. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The Union is dependent on collecting dues from a few of the locals. Listed below are the locals and their percentage (%) of total membership revenues in the year.

	2015	2014	
Local 1 and 2 (Viterra)	37	35	
Local 15 (Agrium/Crop Production Services)	34	33	

Schedule of Meeting Expenses

(Schedule 1)

Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Operating Fund		Solidarity Fund		Defense Fund		Certification Protection Fund		2015		2014	
Joint Executive Council meetings	\$	20,164	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 20,164	\$	5,754	
Dues rebate		2,615		-		-		-	2,615		5,771	
Convention and education seminars		7,259		-		-		17,568	24,827		57,289	
Board of Directors meetings		-		-		2,782		-	2,782		3,057	
GSU Biennial Convention		347		-		-		-	347		41,180	
Board of Delegates		17,459		-		-		-	17,459		-	
Executive and bargaining												
Local 1		16,485		-		_		13,300	29,785		19,514	
Local 2		2,754		-		-		_	2,754		621	
Local 3		-		-		-		-	-		443	
Local 4		1,668		-		-		-	1,668		5,174	
Local 5		39		-		-		-	39		2,272	
Local 6		2,849		-		-		-	2,849		[´] 801	
Local 7		9,115		_		_		_	9,115		1,254	
Local 8		127		-		-		-	127		6,898	
Local 9		-		-		-		6,431	6,431		2,600	
Local 11		406		-		-		-	406		_	
Local 12		192		-		-		-	192		32	
Local 13		52		_		_		_	52		808	
Local 14		16,973		_		_		_	16,973		3,381	
Local 15		15,065		-		-		-	15,065		8,203	
Local 16		852		-		-		_	852		882	
Local 17		332		-		-		_	332		362	
Local 18		406		-		-		_	406		471	
Local 19		1,437		-		-		_	1,437		491	
Local 20		142		-		-		-	142		-	
	\$	116,738	\$	-	\$	2,782	\$	37,299	\$ 156,819	\$	167,258	

Schedule of Expenses

(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Operating Fund		Solidarity Fund		Defense Fund		Certification Protection Fund		2015			2014
Administration												
Accounting	\$	275	\$		\$		\$		\$	275	\$	
Advertising	φ	2,542	φ	-	φ	-	φ	-	φ	2,542	φ	- 295
Amortization of capital assets		2,542		- 23		-		-		2,542		3,825
Amortization of intangible assets		2,119		25		-		-		2,119		2,119
Arbitration boards		50,701		-		-		_		50,701		127,656
Audit		9,240		_		_		_		9,240		8,800
Employee benefits		63,161		_		_		_		63,161		58,681
Interest		1,116		_		-		-		1,116		1,200
Investment council fees		-		_		52,319		_		52,319		47,043
Labour boards		160		-		-		_		160		-
Legal fees and costs		49,275		-		-		-		49,275		18,657
Miscellaneous		500		-		-		-		500		825
Office rent		15,600		-		-		-		15,600		15,600
Postage		8,221		-		-		-		8,221		9,111
Printing and office supplies		23,692		-		-		-		23,692		63,860
Promotional		6,681		-		-		-		6,681		11,808
Salaries and consulting fees		652,641		-		-		-		652,641		673,302
Telephone		13,899		-		-		-		13,899		15,422
Training		-		-		-		-		-		689
Travel		43,434		-		-		-		43,434		47,493
		946,294		23		52,319		-		998,636		1,106,386

Schedule of Expenses (continued)

(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2015

							Certification Protection		
	Оре	rating Fund	Solidarity	/ Fund	Defense F	und	Fund	2015	2014
Affiliation and Organization									
British Columbia Federation of									
Labour		325		-	-		-	325	306
Canadian Labour Congress		11,830		-	-		-	11,830	12,312
Donations and contributions		12,228		2,550	-		-	14,778	29,822
ILWU		15,771		_	-		-	15,771	17,588
Other affiliate expense		13,832		-	-		-	13,832	10,600
Saskatchewan Federation of		-,						- ,	-,
Labour		16,487		-	-		-	16,487	18,416
Scholarship		11,159		-	-		-	11,159	12,000
Organizing		-		-	-		-	-	134
Training		268		-	-		-	268	-
		81,900		2,550	-		-	84,450	101,178
Building									
Amortization of capital assets		6,374		-	-		-	6,374	4,306
Insurance		2,206		-	-		-	2,206	3,584
Interest		1,175		-	-		-	1,175	1,375
Repairs and maintenance		14,147		-	-		-	14,147	16,198
Taxes		8,250		-	-		-	8,250	7,265
Utilities		5,324		-	-		-	5,324	5,161
	\$	37,476	\$	_	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 37,476	\$ 37,889