



Anthony Pash receiving the CAUT Dedicated Service Award from Erin Patterson

Anthony Pash has been involved with AUFA in numerous capacities since over the years, but has shown exceptional leadership and ability during his time as President and Past-President and in his role of Chief Negotiator. As President and Past-President, he was the Executive's key person dealing with the complicated, contentious, and divisive case of the termination of a tenured professor at Acadia. Because of the sensitive and confidential nature of many of the details of this case, all that most people can see of Anthony's work on this file is just the tip of the iceberg, but even the tip of the iceberg was a staggering amount of work that Anthony handled with grit, discretion, and integrity. The union and the University as a whole benefited from Anthony's quiet leadership and clear thinking. More recently, after serving as a member of the negotiating team for our 15<sup>th</sup> Collective Agreement, Anthony stepped up to the role of Chief Negotiator for our 16<sup>th</sup> Collective Agreement. These negotiations turned into a marathon of more than two years, punctuated by a month-long strike in February 2022, and ending up in arbitration for the first time in AUFA's collective bargaining history. Anthony's equanimity and obvious ability inspired trust and confidence in our members, and much of the success of our strike and the cohesion of our members can be directly attributed to him.