Rochester Women in Leadership Summit  
May 11, 2019  
9:30 am – 4:00 pm  
NYSUT Rochester Regional Office  
Union Place, 30 Union Street  
Rochester, NY 14607

9:30 – 10:00  Registration and breakfast

10:00 – 11:00  Women’s Rights at Work: Presented by Labor Relations Specialist Erin Covell and Rochester Regional Staff Director Carrie Andrews. In this workshop, we will discuss the complexities of women’s rights in the workplace. How much time off can you take for child care leave? How does FMLA help you take time to care for your family? What are your rights to breastfeed and report allegations of sexual harassment? What other provisions can be negotiated into collective bargaining agreements to support our rights at work? Local leaders will be empowered with the tools and resources to address these issues, and more, that are important to women in the workplace.

11:00 – 11:15  Break & Networking

11:15 – 12:15  Women in Leadership Panel: Panelists will share their leadership experiences, challenges and success stories. Participants will have time to ask questions.

Panelists: Jolene DiBrango, Sheila Buck, Angie Rivera, Karen Arthmann, Stacy Moran, and Julie Mitchell.

12:15 – 1:00  Lunch & Networking

1:00 – 2:00  Leadership Skills for Women: Presented by Cornell ILR labor educator, Linda Donahue. Activism, at whatever level, requires both knowledge and skills. The focus of this session is to provide women with skills that will enable them to compete on a level playing field. Topics will include building coalitions and support systems; mentoring; running and participating in meetings; seeking office; and the dreaded public speaking. Participants will analyze the qualities of effective labor and social movement leaders.

2:00 – 2:15  Break & Raffle

2:15 – 3:15  Women’s Elect: Presented by Women’s Elect Founder, Diana Cihak. Topics will focus on the importance of having women in leadership; the numbers are important, but the way women govern and what they accomplish is the real story. Discussion will also include breaking down some of the barriers to taking leadership positions.

3:15 – 4:00  Rochester Region Women’s Committee: Participants will have the opportunity to meet and discuss creating a regional women’s committee.