

# Honesty Counts

## Here’s the real math behind the PC Leadership Campaign

According to the PC Party of Ontario membership list, there are now 76,736 Party members eligible to vote in the leadership election.	76, 736
At the beginning of the Leadership Campaign, there were 10,000 paid-up members.	- 10,000
That means there were 66,736 memberships sold during the Leadership Campaign period.	66,736
<p><b>Patrick Brown</b> sold 40,410 memberships. This number was supported by various media reports quoting independent sources within Party HQ.<sup>1,2,3,4</sup> In total, Brown will have submitted to Party HQ more than \$430,000 collected from membership fees. Since Feb. 28, Voter ID has identified an additional 4,500 members supporting Patrick Brown. Our current count is almost 45,000. However, let’s use 40,410.</p> <p><i>* Patrick Brown has publicly called for the PC Party to release his membership sales figures to the public.</i></p> <p>1 – <a href="#">Canadian Press</a>                  2 – <a href="#">Toronto Star</a>                  3 – <a href="#">Toronto Sun</a>                  4 – <a href="#">brianplatt.ca</a></p>	-40,410
<p><b>Monte McNaughton</b> sold between 4,400 and 12,000 memberships. Various media reports quoting independent sources within Party HQ suggested the number was between 4,400 to 8,000 with many sources saying upwards of 6,000.<sup>1,2,3</sup> Later reports suggested the number could be as high as 11,000 and sources report he tendered over \$100,000 for membership fees to Party HQ which supports the higher number. He says 12,000<sup>4</sup> and our estimates say it could be that high. But, let’s use a range.</p> <p><i>* Monte McNaughton also publicly called for the PC Party to release his membership sales figures to the public.</i></p> <p>1 – <a href="#">Canadian Press</a>                  2 – <a href="#">Toronto Star</a>                  3 – <a href="#">Toronto Sun</a>                  4 – <a href="#">CBC</a></p>	Low: -6,000 High: -12,000
<p><b>Remaining memberships not accounted for:</b>                  Many of the remaining memberships were sold through Riding Associations and directly by the PC Party website and could “belong” to any candidate.</p>	Low: 14,326 High: 20,326
<p><b>Christine Elliott</b> – Even if we assume absolutely <u>all</u> of the remaining members choose Christine Elliott (an inconceivable scenario) <b>the highest number of memberships she could possibly have sold is 20,326.</b> She says she sold 34,000 – <b>which is mathematically impossible.</b><sup>1</sup></p> <p>Various media reports quoting independent sources within Party HQ suggested the number of memberships sold by Christine Elliott was 13,000<sup>2</sup> or 16-17,000<sup>3</sup> or 26,000.<sup>4</sup> Initially, she refused to release any numbers, then her spokesman said it was probably double that. She finally settled on 34,000.<sup>4,5</sup></p> <p><i>*Christine Elliott refused to allow the PC Party to release her membership sales figures to the public and sent a lawyer’s letter to the Party HQ saying she didn’t want anyone else’s numbers released either.</i></p> <p>1 – <a href="#">brianplatt.ca</a>                  2 – <a href="#">Canadian Press</a>                  3 – <a href="#">Toronto Sun</a>                  4 – <a href="#">CBC</a>                  5 – <a href="#">Toronto Star</a></p>	<b>BUSTED !</b>
<b>Who do you believe?</b>	