

**PSAC  
VICTORIA AREA COUNCIL  
GENERAL MEETING  
MINUTES – April 17, 2012  
PSAC Victoria Regional Office**

**Members Present:**

Cindy Little – UTE 20028	Bert Farwell – UCTE 20220
Ken Waldron – UNDE 21013	Ian Wiggs – UNDE 21008
Lance Jesson – UNDE 21016	T. Mark Miller – UNDE 21016
Marcelo Lazaro – UNDE 21016	Jim Sidel – DCL 20500
Astrid Stoker – CIU 20042	

**Regrets**

Paul Jones – UNDE 21008	Dave Jackson – PSAC Rep
Scott Parker – UTE 20028	Bob Bridgeman – UNDE 21008

**PSAC Victoria RO Staff Present:**

Rosemary MacKenzie – PSAC Admin

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1. Call to order</b>	Chairperson Sister Little called the meeting to order at approximately 1733hr.	
<b>2. Proposed Agenda</b>	Chairperson Sister Little requested to adopt the Agenda, with the deferral of #3 “Adoption of Previous Minutes” which were not available. M/Sidel, S/Lazaro. <b>Carried.</b>	
<b>3. Introductions</b>	Not needed at this meeting.	
<b>4. Previous Minutes</b>	Deferred to next meeting.	
<b>5. Financial Update</b>	Brother Waldron reviewed budget. As per motion at a previous meeting, there is \$600 budgeted for affiliation with Labour Council. \$62.04 since last meeting. Conventions/conferences were over-budget, otherwise all other categories are on track. A small amount of interest received this last month. Motion to accept budget as presented/Waldron, S/Sidel. <b>Carried.</b>	
<b>6. PSAC Resolutions</b>	Chairperson Sister Little expressed concern regarding Finance Resolution FIN-023 (non-concurrence, P.19), as it was noted there is a big difference between “weighted average” vs “average”. Asked if it could be changed on the floor? Brother Waldron stated it would need to get to the floor first (and there are a lot of other resolutions ahead of	

	<p>it).</p> <p>Brother Waldron discussed the severance pay in Finance Resolutions FIN-021 (non-concurrence, P.19). Proposed that Board give up their severance pay like other components had to do. Brother Waldron mentioned this also may not get to the floor as there are a lot of other resolutions ahead of it.</p> <p>Chairperson Sister Little asked the council which resolution would you want to move up? As it is likely only one would be able to move (not likely to be able to do both). There was a mix of opinions – Chairperson Sister Little pointed out that the government is proposing legislating removal of severance anyways. Brother Waldron might bring this up in the caucus meeting.</p>	
<b>7. Budget 2012 and local impact</b>	<p>Request for numbers of “affected” workers in each component?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brother Waldron – UNDE – 39 affected in BC (38 in UNDE 21008). UNDE will lose another 40 through attrition in the next three years.</li> <li>• Sister Stoker – CIU – in Pacific Region there are a total of 133 (10 are in Victoria office).</li> <li>• Veterans Affairs – are approximately 16 affected workers.</li> <li>• Sister Stoker – CIC in Nanaimo and in Victoria are being completely closed.</li> <li>• Brother Waldron – it was announced today that the Dispute Resolution Centre (DRC) will be closing in Victoria.</li> </ul>	
<b>8. WFA Training</b>	<p>Chairperson Sister Little talked to Brother Dave Jackson regarding WFA training. Any locals interested in the training – please contact Dave at PSAC.</p> <p>Sister MacKenzie stated that feedback was good for the one hour WFA sessions at the worksites. She said Dave is able to do presentations for approximately 20 people at a session.</p> <p>UNDE is getting full briefing from their Human Resources (2-3hrs).</p>	
<b>9. CFIB Campaign</b>	<p>Chairperson Sister Little said there was a challenge in the Fall / December for locals to challenge businesses supporting CFIB, and informing them of the effect on Public</p>	

	Services. Encouraged to keep up the effort and monitor the comments coming from CFIB.	
<b>10. Round Table</b>	<p>Brother Jesson offered his WFA handout that has timelines for training sessions, WFA options, etc that outlines the time frames for various issues in WFA. Everyone welcome to look or take a copy of it.</p> <p>Sister Stoker asked for any assistance in beginning the WFA process as members had just become affected. Various council members offered advice and reference material.</p> <p>Reminder of National Day of Mourning on April 28<sup>th</sup> – posters are available.</p>	
<b>11. Meeting adjourned</b>	Chairperson Sister Little adjourned the meeting at approximately 1840hr.	

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Sister Cindy Little  
President

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Astrid Stoker  
Recording Secretary