

**PSAC VICTORIA AREA COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING
MINUTES – February 12, 2013
PSAC Victoria Regional Office**

Members Present:

Cindy Little – UTE 20028	Scott Parker – UTE 20028
Ken Waldron – UNDE 21013	Nic Humphreys – UEW 20169
Leanne Hughes – CIU 20042	Steve Portlock – UNDE 21010
Bert Farwell – UCTE 20220	
Astrid Stoker – CIU 20042	

Guest:

Mike (from CRA)

Regrets

Ian Wiggs – UNDE 21008

PSAC Victoria RO Staff Present:

Dave Jackson – PSAC Rep

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Call to order	Chairperson Sister Little called the meeting to order at approximately 1730hr. Introduction of guest speaker, Mike, from CRA.	
2. Proposed Agenda	Chairperson Sister Little requested to move the Soft-Ball Tournament agenda item to #4 and to adopt the Agenda, M/Waldron, S/Portlock. Carried.	
3. Introductions	Roundtable introductions of members present.	
4. Minutes	Thank you to Bert for food for Christmas Meet & Greet. Reviewed AGM minutes from Sept 18, 2012. Need to correct typo at #7 for “sign-uo” to “sign-up”.	
5. Soft-Ball Tournament	<p>Guest (Mike) spoke to members.</p> <p>Last year, sponsored by PSAC (was Pacific Federal Council previously). This year planning is already underway – still emphasizing it is a union event (not a Federal Gov event).</p> <p>Softball:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • during National Public Service Week. • last year the government no longer had money for interdepartmental events, so turned to union. • 8 – 16 teams (max); 3 games each; 1 day event on Friday; 12-15 per team; minimum 4 women per team. • Include as many people as possible – not limited to 	

	<p>people who know how to play (there will be professional and non-professional teams). Not limited to physical ability (those with disabilities are welcome).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast and lunch provided (no alcohol, no coffee). Free Powerade and water. • Approx \$150 per team for balls, paid umpires (\$32/game), etc. • At Topaz Park – there are 4 diamonds for slow pitch. • Food: Thrifty's. Rent BBQs from Sidney Kiwanis for \$50. • Insurance is with Victoria City. • Some door prizes. • Date: Friday, June 14th. • Please have local Presidents call Mike (not individual members). • Possible beer garden this year (do not have to contribute – it is not for profit). • Looking for flat top BBQ (pancake type grill). • Deadline – need by March 28th (absolute deadline is end of May). 	<p>Brother Jackson – to send notification and dates.</p> <p>Brother Jackson to send question from Mike to Sister Little.</p>
<p>6. Financial Update</p>	<p>Brother Waldron reviewed financials. \$12.50 over budget. \$0.38 in interest. Refreshments were \$24.45. Contributed to Meet & Greet, Victoria Regional Women's Committee, and the Vancouver Island Young Workers Committee. Net balance is \$8338.79 currently.</p>	
<p>7. Political Action</p>	<p>Upcoming election – Brother Humphreys is asking if anyone wants to go to NDP, and for volunteers to do calls. Proposal to donate money to the 7 MLAs (one in each Victoria riding). Brother Waldron reminded members that current budget allotment is \$400. Motion to put \$100 to each riding. M/ Humphreys. S/Hughes. Chairperson Little opened to discussion. Vote - carried. Brother Waldron recommended reviewing budget next year to consider an increase for the political action budget.</p>	<p>Brother Jackson to start draft letter to send out to each riding (will be seven cheques to include with letters).</p>

8. Other	International Women's Day is March 8 th . Victoria Regional Women's Committee is hosting a potluck and movie from 1730-2100hr. RSVP by March 2 nd to PSAC or Virginia.	All members – please post at work sites.
9. Round Table	Brother Jackson mentioned that softball is a great event, and that PSAC gave \$1000 (cost is approx \$2000). Brother Waldron suggested also looking at other events members would go to in Victoria. Brother Humphreys asked if anyone was attending the CLC in Toronto at end of March? It is the biggest labour event being held in Canada. Sister Little mentioned Regional Women's Conference is May 3 – 5.	
10. Next Meeting	April 16, 2013.	
11. Meeting adjourned	Chairperson Sister Little motioned to adjourn the meeting at approximately 1834hr. M/Little. S/Farwell. Carried.	

Sister Cindy Little
President

Sister Astrid Stoker
Recording Secretary