

VIHRC Draft Minutes

Vancouver Island Human Rights Committee Minutes: February 23, 2017

Present: Paul Jones – UNDE, Brenda Kipot – UNDE, Colleen Girard- UNDE South Island Coordinator, Jim Sidel – Commissionaires – Regional Council , Virginia Vaillancourt – Veterans Affairs National VP, Dave Paul- USGE, Carolyn Sampson- USGE, Marlene Stevens – Veterans Affairs, Marcello Lazaro – UNDE

Regrets:

PSAC Staff: Dave Jackson

Liz Oliphant – Union of Health and Environment Workers. Victoria Regional Representative

Meeting called to order by: Paul Jones.

AGENDA:

1. Welcome and introductions.
2. Approval of September 22, 2016 Meeting Minutes. Approved: Dave Paul – 1st, Paul Jones 2nd. No objections. Motion to accept: Paul Jones 1st. Brenda Kipot 2nd. Unanimous accepted.
3. Treasurers Report: Audit Package: Paul Jones audit package. Marlene Stevens Reviewed. Questions. Marlene Steven motion to accept the report. Dave Paul 2nd. Unanimous accepted.
4. Sacred Water Ceremony Report: Comprehensive report. Accept the report. Dave Paul 1st. Brent Kipot 2nd. Unanimous accepted.
5. Proposed Budget Approval. Review of last year's events. Round table. Useful things. Reasonable. Branding. Reinvigorate the committee. Important to keep something in reserve. Motion to approve: Marcello Lazaro – 1st. Colleen Girard 2nd. Unanimous accepted.
6. Election of VIHRC delegate to PSABC Regional Convention. June 16 – 18, 2017. Dave Jackson run the election. Motion to destroy the ballots: Virginia Vaillancourt 1st. Marcello Lazaro 2nd.
7. PSABC Regional Convention Resolutions – March 15, 2017. Paul Jones wrote resolutions. Virginia Vallaincourt further discussed the resolutions. Colleen Girard supports.

Group Discussion Points: Good starting point to making changes and initiatives. Aid the committees to grow. Add to the coordinators handbook. Lead to transformation of other committees. Change it to the area council or others. Move forward to the women's committee and use it there. Women's Committee met on March 7, 2017. The resolutions will have more support from multiple bodies can give it more weight on the floor.

Regional Youth Committee. Small budgets – not enough finance to be able to cover. A separate resolution will be required to support their actions. On the ground support for the committees. Equitable representation for the whole region connected to the finances. Actively participate and promote. Not overwhelm people. Lobby for funds afterwards.

Virginia Vaillancourt: The next convention in 3 yrs. Remain status quo – same equity threats. Virginia to coordinate a financial resolution for the Women’s Committee. They may bind them. VOTE OVER EMAIL - . Submit: Paul 1st. Brenda 2nd. Paul and Virginia to work together.

8. Marlene Stevens: Regretfully step down as the Treasurer. Value work committee doing. Paul Joes to assist and complete the year end requirements. Giselle had everything in place. Appreciate all the work that sister Giselle did to prepare before she departed.
9. Round table. Brenda – June meeting. Carolyn. Liz – 1st meeting - . Paul supported sacred water ceremony, present with blanket. Dave more participation required. Marlene – thanks – wishing well. Trust in committee. Colleen. Virginia. Jimmy.
10. Motion to adjourn. Next meeting – May 4, 2017. July 13, 2017. AGM Nov 27, 2017.
11. Paul Jones motion to adjourn meeting. Dave Paul 2nd. Unanimous.