

**PSAC BC West Fraser Valley Area Council  
Annual General Meeting (AGM) Meeting Agenda  
February 8, 2021 @ 6:00 pm**

**Via Zoom and/or Teleconference**

**RSVP to [psacbc-ac-westfraservalley@psac-afpc.com](mailto:psacbc-ac-westfraservalley@psac-afpc.com) to obtain the Zoom link**

Present: Stephen Torng (GSU, Local 20008), Robert Strang (PSAC Staff Representative), Zita Lambert (UTE, Local 20007), Susie Blyth (CEIU, Local 20964), Monique Bakker (UHEW, Local 20147), Manjot Jaswal (GSU, Local 20008), Nielene Chand (UTE, Local 20007), Jamie Mills (PSAC BC REVP), Celine Ahodekon (UNE, Local 20278), Dina Alias (CEIU, Local 20910), Nicole Torng (USJE, Local 20011), Johann Ackermann (UTE, Local 20029), Sargy Chima (CEIU, Local 20949), Richard Hyatt (UTE, Local 20050), Sukpreet Heir (CIU, Local 20045)

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- 1. Call To Order** – Susie acknowledged unceded territory and called the meeting to order at 6:01PM.
  - 2. Adoption of Agenda** – M/S Stephen/Monique. Carried.
  - 3. Guest Speaker: Jamey Mills, PSAC BC REVP** – He spoke about status of collective bargaining with Treasury Board, Phoenix, BC Regional Convention coming up on May 7-9, 2021, Health and Safety Conference March 19-21, 2021. He said that both the convention and conference are being held virtually.

Education courses have been rescheduled due to some delays in the roll out. Please check the PSAC website and new course dates will be coming soon. There will be a Convention Procedures course Webinar on April 15, 2021.

He spent some time to answer questions from members about phoenix damages, the combination of retroactive pay with regular pay, and CRA work from home deduction.

- 4. Adoption of AGM minutes from February 10, 2020** – M/S Johann, Stephen. Carried.
- 5. Adoption of Previous meeting minutes from October 19, 2020** – We will defer passing of these minutes to the next general meeting due to the number of agenda items in today's meeting.
- 6. Vote on proposed changes to Bylaws (see note below & file attachment)** – M/S Monique, Celine, as amended. Carried.

## **7. Financial Report – M/S Monique, Dina. Carried.**

Two (2) Changes were recommended to the Budget for 2021:

- I. Change Other line under the Proposed Expenditures on the Budget to Miscellaneous Costs
- II. Change Meetings amount from \$1,200 to \$1,000 and Miscellaneous Costs from \$100 to \$300 as the cost of at-home expenses such as printing has increased.

M/S Nielene/Richard to amend Budget for 2021. Carried

## **8. Elections of WFVAC executive**

**President:** Johann N/S Dina/Nielene (declined); Stephen N/S Celine/Dina (declined); Richard N/S Susie/Sargy (declined); Dina N/S Monique/Nielene (declined); Sargy N/S Celine/Dina (declined); **Nielene Chand N/S Johann/Richard (Acclaimed – for one year term based on amended bylaws passed)**

**Vice President:** Dina N/S Stephen/Celine (declined); Stephen N/S Celine/Johann (declined); Richard N/S Susie/Zita (declined); **Celine Ahodekon N/S Dina/Monique (Acclaimed – for two year term based on amended bylaws passed)**

**Treasurer: Monique Bakker M/S Susie/Stephen (Acclaimed – for one year based on amended bylaws passed)**

**Secretary:** Zita N/S Susie, Richard (declined); Stephen N/S Susie, Dina (declined); Johann N/S Susie/Celine (declined); Monique N/S Dina/Zita (declined); Dina N/S Susie/Zita (declined); Susie N/S Sargy/Zita (declined). **Secretary position will remain unfilled. Celine Ahodekon volunteered to fill this position on an interim basis until it has been filled at a later date.**

**The new executive was sworn in by Robert Strang.**

**Arrangements need be made with VanCity to remove Susie Blyth, Dina Elias, and Stephen Torng as the signatures on the bank account. Nielene Chand and Celine Ahodekon should be added as the new signatories on the bank account.**

## **9. Political Action**

- Guest Speaker: Sukhpreet Heir – Anti-Racist activities and the Farmers protests  
There was good discussion on awareness on these important issues for Human Rights and PSAC.
- Black History Month from Mainland Human Rights Committee – Event coming up on February 23, 2021 from 6:00PM to 7:00PM. Patrick Bragg will sending out details soon.

## **10. Education / Events**

- December 6, 2020 Vigil under Social Events for the National Day of Remembrance to End Violence Against Women
- Drive By CBSA Border Crossing earlier this year. Hoping to do Point Roberts border crossing next time.

## **11. New Business**

- PSAC BC Convention May 7-9, 2021
- Succession Planning & Membership – being more proactive to get more involved with the Area Council and interest in volunteering for executive positions

## **12. Roundtable – Nothing to add.**

## **13. The next general meeting will be on Monday, April 19, 2021 @ 5:30PM.**

### **Note: 2021 PSAC BC West Fraser Valley Area Council AGM Elections**

*Since we may be changing to two-year (2) term positions for our elected Executive Committee, we are proposing that the President and Treasurer position's duration will be for one (1) year and the Vice President and Secretary position's duration will be for two (2) years. This will accommodate for the initial start of two (2) year terms. This is due to the fact that this first vote is happening in an odd year.*

**Susie adjourned the meeting @ 8:50PM.**