East Fraser Valley Area Council Meeting Minutes

Sept 11, 2019

Roseland Restaurant, Abbotsford Meeting called to order 5:36pm. Quorum is met.

In attendance

Brother Vic Johal PSAC Regional Rep Brother Alan Otrosina Local 20141 Sister Nancy Burton Local 20015 Sister Heidi Kay Local 20040 Sister Kirsty Havard RVP USJE Sister Amanda McKinnon Local 20086 Brother Anthony Paller Local 20044

Sister Louise Shabiky Local 20017

Brother Michael St Amou Local 20141 Brother Tony O'Hara Local 20130

Acknowledgements

Vic acknowledged that this meeting is being held on the unceded lands of the Stoh-lo Nation.

Adoption of Minutes from May 16, 2019

Minutes were accepted with the following changes 1-Changes in bylaws will be written out fully 2-Location of Meeting will be included 3-Clarify the wording in the Labour Day Event section to make it clear that EFVAC is not the organizer of the event but a participant.

Nancy will send an electronic copy of the bylaws to Heidi so that approved changes can be made prior to the next meeting.

Standing Items

Scheduling and location of future meetings

-Next meeting to be held at White Spot at Whatcom Road, Abbotsford on November 5, 2019 at 5:30pm. Heidi will book the room.

President's Report (Anthony)

-Good turn out at Labour Day picnic. It was a smaller event then on previous years, EFVAC handed out suckers to picnic attendees.

-Fraser Valley Labour Council Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month except July and August. This month will be at the Abbotsford District Teacher's Federation Office on Cyril Street from 7:00-9:00pm. We can send two delegates, but anyone can attend. -United Way Labour Appreciation dinner to be held on Dec 4th in Burnaby. Anthony asked for report to be accepted Seconded by Nancy Burton

Accepted by all.

<u>Treasurer's Report (Nancy)</u> -Current balance 1135.15 -Expenses since the last meeting include suckers for the Labour Day Picnic and EFVAC meeting from May 16^{th.}

-Nancy is working on getting a monthly bank statement sent to the PSAC office and at the same time continue to have a copy send to her. A possible option would be to have Nancy continue to receive the bank statement and scan and send a copy monthly to the PSAC office. Nancy asked for report to be accepted.

Seconded by Alan Otrosina.

Accepted by all.

June 12th Day of Action

-Anthony asked for feedback on the day of action event held om the road outside of the Matsqui complex.

Everyone who attended said that the even went well, most staff were supportive and there was a good turnout of other components aside from just USJE. Nancy provided a report on the meeting that she and Kirsty had with RDC Dennis Boucher and ARDC Cari Turi regarding the event.

In future, event organizers will educate participants that they need to get prior approval for leave if they are scheduled to work that day.

BBC Regional Convention Delegate May 2020

Vancouver May 1-3, 2020 at the Pinnacle Hotel

-Before EFVAC can send a delegate to this convention the following requirements need to be met:

1-4 annual meetings with meeting minutes posted within 30 days of meeting date.

2-Bank statements need to be submitted monthly to PSAC.

3-Area council needs to have a plan of action that aligns with PSAC actions, activities and priorities.

4-Quorum must be met at all meetings

Vic referred the group to psacbc.com for further information.

EFVAC will plan to send 1 delegate. Next meeting a delegate and up to 2 alternates will be elected following PSAC's standard voting process.

Round Table Items

Vic- asked for us encourage people to attend the PSAC training courses scheduled in the Fraser Valley for fall 2019.

- Nancy -Requested job descriptions for each position. If there are none, could we create them. -suggested that someone on the Area Council attend the local's AGMs so that we let sites know who we are and what we are about.
- Heidi-What is the current status of the exclusion letters that were sent out previously. PSAC is currently working with the government on which employees should be considered essential.

Adjourned 7:48pm.