

East Fraser Valley Area Council Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2019

Meeting called to order 5:35pm.

Quorum is met.

In attendance

Brother Vic Johal PSAC Regional Rep Brother Anthony Paller Local 20044
Brother Alan Otrrosina Local 20141 Sister Nancy
Burton Local 20015 Sister Louise Shabiky Local 20017 Sister Heidi Kay
Local 20040
Sister Kirsty Havard RVP USJE Brother Justin Remple Local 20130
Brother Dave Rude Local 20141

Acknowledgements

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

Standing Items

Scheduling and location of future meetings

- Meetings will alternate between Chilliwack and Abbotsford as a way to make it easier for more members to attend.
- Teleconferencing is an option that we will use if there is an interest.
- Agenda will be sent out at least 2 weeks in advance.

Discussion on Bylaws

The following changes were proposed:

Section I: name change from Fraser Valley Area Council to East Fraser Valley Area Council

Section II: is will be changed to has been

Section III: Members and Dues changed to Membership

Removal of Subsection 2(1), 2(2) and 2(3)

Bargaining Update

Sargy Chima provided an update on the status of bargaining.

-Treasury board did not provide a mandate to PSAC

-PA bargaining team has stepped away from the table until the government comes back with a serious/decent offer. The last offer was 1.25% for each year and 18 months from the time, the contract is signed before any retroactive pay is paid.

SV, EB and TC bargaining teams have declared an impasse

-1.25 days per year for 4 years as compensation for the issues with Phoenix. (total 5 days)

-Sick Leave committee was supposed to meet quarterly but as there have been no meetings in the last 10 months PSAC has asked that the memo of understanding be dissolved.

-Request was made for unions members to take pictures, send emails and sign petitions showing that they support their bargaining team.

Political Action – June 12th

-Each site is asked to take some type of action to show the government we want a fair contract.

-PSAC is holding an action day event at Matsqui Institution starting at 5:30 am. Vic will speak to other bargaining components (CBSA, CIU, AGR) to join in.

-Vic will look into getting buttons, stickers, and signs for the event.

- Anthony will contact the Abbotsford Police Department to inform them of the event.

Labour Day Event

-Scheduled for September , 2019 – 9:30-3:00pm in Centennial Park in Abbotsford.

- Meal will consist of hot dogs, chips, corn on the cob, popcorn, pop and water. Cake and freezies as possible desert options.

-For entertainment we are looking at balloon animals, stick on tattoos, bouncy castle etc.

- A table will be set up for members to get updated information on bargaining.

Vic and Anthony will look into getting a tent and table.

-Next meeting to be held on Sept 11, 2019 @ the Roseland Restaurant. Heidi will book the meeting room.

Round Table Items

Encouraged members to become involved with PSAC on social media such as Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for PSAC BC and PSAC national.

Spring PSAC courses are finished now but keep an eye out for the scheduled courses in Fall 2019. Fall's class list will be available on the website mid July. Check them out and encourage your members to sign up.

Adjourned 6:55pm.