

# PSAC Mainland and Haida Gwaii Young Workers' Committee

## Minutes of the General Meeting

Wednesday April 25, 2018

18:30 PDT

Held at PSAC BC Regional Office, 302 – 5238 Joyce Street, Vancouver, BC

**Host:** Deanna Kimball, PSAC Regional Rep – Young Workers

**Members in Attendance:** Kevin Au (Secretary), Damir Moric (President), Jessica Gray (Vice President), Gonee Saini, Ammar Jamil, James Brierley (PSAC Regional Young Workers Coordinator; via conference call), Chelsea Cameron (Treasurer)

**Regrets:** Sky Belt, Craig S., Maggie Humen

### Order of Business:

- I. Introductions and review of minutes from the previous meeting
- II. President's Report
- III. Old Business
  - a. Days of Caring Outreach event
  - b. Bright Beginnings Event
  - c. Spring Social – Bowling Night at Grandview Lanes
- IV. New Business
  - a. Budget Line Clarification
  - b. Promotional Materials and Posters for the PSAC MHGYWC
  - c. Communications / Social Media
  - d. Loblaws GC Initiative
  - e. Annual Donations
  - f. Expenditures for this Meeting
- V. Roundtable/ News

### **Call to Order**

Quorum being met, the meeting was called to order at 18:41 by Damir.

Motion to accept the agenda moved by Damir

Seconded by Jessica

Motion carried unanimously

### **I. Introductions and review of minutes from the previous meeting**

Motion to accept the minutes moved by Jessica

Seconded by Chelsea

Motion carried unanimously

### **II. President's Report**

Damir advised that he'd like the committee to look at supporting YW reps at locals throughout the region. He would like to support engagements of YWs, more participation of YWs, and to also encourage promotion of and participation in the committee.

Chelsea commented that she went to the bargaining conference and virtually all the demands were not applicable to YWs.

Ammar started that it was a large group, and YW representation was relatively minor (about 5 of 400?)

Damir asked committee members that if they meet any YW at a local where there isn't a YW position at their local, to ask for it to be promoted / encouraged.

### III. Old Business

#### a) Days of Caring Outreach event

The outreach event previously discussed was cancelled, and members were encouraged to keep an eye out for similar events in the future which we may be able to attend / participate in.

#### b) Bright Beginnings Event

There was a discussion of \$50 contribution to the Bright Beginnings Foundation – the original intent was to purchase a seat at an event but we were unable to and so the committee would make a donation instead.

#### c) Spring Social – Bowling Night at Grandview Lanes

As for the spring social, there was discussion of rescheduling it to a later date to ensure better participation.

### IV. New Business

#### a) Budget Line Clarification

It was noted that the committee was asked by PSAC to define the budget lines for outreach activities and expenditures.

It was agreed that the former would include PSAC YW member engagement, and that community events would be in regards to attendance at and participation in community events.

Motion to amend the budget lines to provide clarification moved by Damir

Seconded by Chelsea

Motion carried unanimously

#### b) Promotional Materials and Posters for the PSAC MHGYWC

There was a discussion regarding promotion material and posters regarding this committee.

It was noted that there had been concerns about the age reference and so going forward, all who self-identify as YWs are encouraged to participate, and everyone is welcome to attend as observers

It was discussed also that a general poster would be created and distributed to various offices to create / increase awareness in general.

Motion to allocate up to \$30 of “office supplies” budget line towards the printing and distribution of posters for the purpose of raising awareness of this committee moved by Damir

Seconded by Chelsea

Motion carried unanimously

c) Communications / Social Media

There was a discussion about various social media platforms available, and for now the committee will continue using Whatsapp as its communication platform.

d) Loblaws GC Initiative

Jamie advised that he had sent out an email about the Loblaws GC initiative and noted that that was something from the national YW group.

e) Annual Donations

A callout was made for suggestions for donations – for this year thus far, \$50 of the \$300 available has been allocated. It was noted that the preference would be for causes with YW connections.

Chelsea mentioned that from a PSAC course she recently took they came up with an idea to raise funds to purchase supplies for a school in Skidegate (Graham Island, Haida Gwaii). The concept is being developed and more information would be available at the next meeting.

f) Expenditures for this Meeting

Motion to approve \$89.43 of expenditures for this meeting moved by Chelsea  
Seconded by Jessica

**V. Roundtable / News**

The PSAC regional women’s committee’s dinner is coming up.

There are several advanced courses coming up in the fall:

Victoria: Women’s work

Vancouver: Advanced Union Officers, Advanced Duty to Accommodate

Don’t forget also the PSAC scholarships.

The next YW summit will be held in November, Damir, Jessica, and James are among those assisting with the organizing.

April 28th is the National Day of Mourning (commemorating those who have been killed, injured, or suffered illness as a result of workplace hazards and occupational exposures).

## Adjournment

There being no new business, motion to adjourn moved by Damir

Seconded by Kevin

Motion carried unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 20:41