

Report to B.C. Regional Council

Name Susan Yaciw	Date April 1, 2011 to September 30, 2011
Constituency (area, women, etc.)	
Southern Interior (Okanagan/Kootenays)	
Activities since last RC meeting	
Activity	How it fulfilled role on B.C. Council
Regional Council Meeting	Meet and plan with other members of the council
Attended the NDP all Candidates meeting in Metro town	To meet and listen to the candidate debate.
Area Council meetings and Okanagan Regional Women's Committee meetings	Communicate with other locals in the region. Set goals, training and encourage participation and engage members
UTE monthly executive meetings	Involvement in my component local. Share with my local; regional and local activities
BRUSH Conference Call	Discuss issues around Health & Safety
Education Conference Call	Answered a number of pre arranged questions for the facilitator on our current education program, how our program could be better and to provide feed back and suggestions. To date have not received any follow up as mentioned by the facilitator of the call
May Day Event in Penticton	To celebrate May day. The Area Council participated by having a button making booth for the children and provided information regarding the PSAC Think Public Campaign
BC Regional Convention	Conduct business of the union for the next three years. Was successful in being appointed as the Geographical Coordinator of the Okanagan/Kootenays for the next three years. Continue to connect with members and other leaders within the PSAC
UTE Regional Pre Convention Planning	An opportunity for all UTE delegates and alternates to meet one another, discuss resolutions and develop a plan of action prior to the UTE National Triennial Convention.
Co-ordinator Tour of the RCMP Work sites	To connect with the members at our RCMP worksites in the Okanagan. Addressed

	concerns and provided information on the Termination of Severance. I also visited a couple of Service Canada offices in the area on this trip as well.
Human Rights Committee Amnesty Dinner	To connect with members and to show support for our newly formed Human Rights Committee in the Okanagan. Dinner was fantastic and the entertainment was great.
Kelowna City Council Meeting	Attended with Annette Hale. A presentation on the Living Wage Campaign was presented to Council. Seemed like most councillors were in favour of providing a living wage. Further focus groups were held and it was determined that the living wage for the Central Okanagan is \$16.94 (some feel this is low as it includes all of the rural areas in the calculation which would bring down the actual cost of living)
UTE Triennial Convention	Conduct business of the union for the next three years. Connect and continue dialogue with members and other activist. Elected National President, First and Second Vice Presidents and REVP.
UTE President's Conference	To connect with other members of my component and to discuss union issues
Challenges you had to cope with since the last meeting	
Balancing work, home and union activities	
Connecting with all members in the region due to the wide spread territory	
Member apathy	
What would you like to work on next?	
To increase the member attendance of our Area Council Encourage the Area Council participants take on a more active role in our community Create a more cohesive Area Council	

