

Prince George Regional Women's Committee  
PSAC  
Held at: 1950 Gorce Road PG (REAPS meeting room)  
Meeting Minutes: June 15/16

Attending: Tracy, Parveen, Val, Kim, Ceoral,  
Regrets: Marilyn, Joyce, Tiffany, Leanna & Sharon  
E-mails are still being returned for a couple of people.

Called to order: 5:30PM

Financial Statement: May 11/16 & Jun 10/16 Balance \$2024.05 Deposit Jun 12/16 \$77.05 (Junk in the Trunk donations), Jun15/16 Balance \$2101.10

The 2016 Regional Women's Conference: Sep 23-25  
Applications are to be approved by Val prior to sending them to PSAC  
Application deadline is August 5, 2016  
Attendees will be doing quilting squares for a quilt dedicated to empowering women  
Theme is Empowering/Supporting each other  
Attendees MUST be in attendance at the Friday night dinner/session  
Conference goes until noon on Sunday  
Further info to come as received from Van.  
Delegate applications: Please respond to Val by the deadlines indicated in the email

Note: there are 5 delegate positions for the North. There have been requests to attend from Pat Cummins, Ceoral Haynes, Sherel Sandhu, Tracy Arrowsmith and Valerie Stewart.  
Jul 24<sup>th</sup> update: I believe only Tracy has an application in as yet.

#### Resolutions:

Val was interested in sending in a resolution about the dismissive way the Union and ER talk of the older EE's nearing retirement. However on reviewing could not find concrete info to use for framing one. Parveen was thinking of one regarding child care and was not able to clearly define it either. Sharon was going to come to the meeting with her ideas however had other important matters to deal with and stated that she would not be coming to the Meeting/Conference and was withdrawing her application. She did not supply any info regarding her ideas in the e-mail. She did state she is working on the Labour Day Committee and felt she will be highly vested in that for the next few months. No other info came forward on resolutions. Tracy to email Val a sample a resolution Pat worked on several years ago.

Update: Jul 24/16 update. I received the info from Tracy however was not able to utilize it for my idea. I will ask Parveen about her child care idea this week. I will copy and send them if provided.

Update: Jul 30/16 Parveen was not able to prepare a resolution on childcare. Val was not able to prepare a resolution on seniors.

Val to ask Virginia about RWC bylaws so we can review them. Val was going to check the web also. She said she believes she read it recently.

Update: Jul 24/16 Val sent an e-mail to Katherine Kirkwood, Virginia and Dianna on June 30 after the last conference call to apologize for missing it and asked if Dianna & Virginia were able to get together to speak to Val regarding some information. There was no reply.

#### Comfort bags/Hygiene Kits:

Some funds from junk in the trunk will be used to prepare the comfort bags that have been planned to as donations to various women's groups, women's poverty groups and seniors. Possible estimation: —a maximum of 200 bags which can be pared down depending on donations and ability to complete that number.

All committee members are to gather items for this from co-workers/friends/etc.

Items to be included: lotion, deodorant, tooth brush & paste, dental floss & mouth wash, shampoo & conditioner, washcloths, body/hand soap, etc.

We may use large Zip Lock bags for this.

Committee members are planning to make bracelets, necklaces, knit or sew scarves and request further donations from family/ other workers/friends/businesses etc. These will be included as a personal touch in the comfort bags.

#### Oct 1/16 Junk in the Truck:

Members are to collect items to sell for this. Some are thinking that we could sell some things we make to get funds to complete the comfort bags. We also need to collect for Chili Blanket- blankets, coats, hats gloves scarves etc. This is Feb/17.

Parveen said that we do similar annual donations in a different format.

Val has done the work for meetings. She has prepared a format for the minutes and a format for the financials to be used for each meeting. She has been using it throughout. The meeting info was emailed in the minutes in Jan and the year end Books & Records were emailed in these formats in Feb when there was no attendants at the meeting for approval. All committee members were advised that the meetings scheduled were in the Calendar of Events on the PSAC web also. Copies of meeting minutes completed were emailed to each and reminder notice of meeting has been emailed the week prior to each meeting.

Everyone needs to read their emails/go to the PSAC Calendar and record the meeting dates on their calendars to be aware of meeting times, dates and where they will be held.

There needs to be a buddy system to do Secretary and Treasurer positions if they are unable to come to meetings.

Val has requested a list from Parveen for other components. Parveen suggested attending the next District Labour Council to help promote our group and to gather information on other components and Unions. She said she would contact Val so I would be able to attend with her.

The next meeting is in Sep the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of the month in the same place and at the same time. Members must keep in contact regarding the 2016 Conference.

No further business brought forward.

Meeting ended 6:45 PM

Minutes prepared by Val Stewart.