

**\*\*Amended 2-Mar-19\*\***

**Okanagan Area Council Meeting  
January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Kelowna**

**In Attendance:** Maria-Luiza Romano (AGR); Darrell-Lee McKenzie (AGR); Michele Sibson (CEIU); Kelly Megyesi (CEIU); Carolyn McGillivray (CIU), Karen Sutton (CIU); Linda Woods (UNE); Joanne Hay (UPCE); Guests: Joy Harrison (APSAR), Robert Strang (PSAC BC Rep, Vancouver); by phone: Jeanne Olineck (CEIU); Jamey Mills (BC REVP).

**Call to Order** at 9:30 am

**Guest Speaker: Jamey Mills, REVP for BC** – Jamey provided an update on: Phoenix (3 year anniversary since implementation at end of February) – funds available from REVP for actions around Phoenix; collective bargaining – hoping with a change in Treasury Board President that bargaining for many of the groups will improve > encouraged members to continue actions, as well as raise the issues of Phoenix and bargaining with MP's. Also Note: the PSAC has updated its booklet "Retiring from the Public Service" and hard copies are available from the Regional Office.

**Adoption of Agenda** – m/s/c.

**Approval of previous minutes:** minutes from September 22, 2018 - m/s/c.

**Treasurer's Report:** As of November 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 balance = \$3938.87 with 2 outstanding cheques in the amount of \$200.00 – m/s/c.

**2019 Proposed Budget:** 1 line item was added (see attached).

**Motion:** *To accept the 2019 Budget. m/s/c.*

**Area Council Summit** (Nov 4, 2018) – provided info on how other Area Council's operate with ideas on how to increase participation; encouraged involvement with Labour Councils; locals to pass a motion at AGM's to affiliate and identify local delegates to the Area Council > send delegate names to REVP office.

<b>Elections (by consensus):</b>	<b>President</b>	Maria-Luiza Romano
	<b>Vice-President</b>	Nadia Sokal
	<b>Treasurer</b>	Kelly Megyesi
	<b>Secretary</b>	Karen Sutton

**Round Table:**

Joy Harrison (APSAR): Bill C-27 Liberal Pension Reform Bill (pensions to be defined contribution not defined benefit and could change them retroactively) being resurrected need to keep pressure on > see attached document "Pension Promises Denied" for concerns regarding proposed pension reform. Robert reminder of upcoming training: <http://psacbc.com/events/courses>; Kelly may be an opportunity to partner with another group for an event in March re: trafficking of migrant workers.

**\*\*Amendment\*\***

*Motion by DLM: To affiliate with APSAR for the fee of \$20.*

*Seconded by LW*

*Carried*

Meeting Adjourned.

**Next Meeting**

**Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019, 9:30 a.m.**

First United Church, 721 Bernard Ave, Kelowna