

PSAC Okanagan Human Rights Committee MINUTES

Date: May 15, 2014

Time: 5:00 pm

Place: Kelowna Rotary Centre, Kelowna, BC

Attending: Annette Hale, Kelly Megyesi & Maria Luiza Romano Linda Woods

Financial

Budget

Maria Luiza will check with PSAC Regional office to find out when the yearly allocations will be received. Okanagan Human Rights Committee budget was submitted to PSAC BC January 2014.

Financial Report

Bank balance \$609.99 Financial report attached.

Motions

Motion: Kelly motioned to pay the Air Express costs for Carolyn MacGillvery to ship the Ouch Program. Carolyn to provide a receipt. Linda Woods seconded
Carried

Motion: Kelly motioned to pay \$75 for those attending the Unako Rising event May 15, 2014 for four tickets. Seconded by Maria Luiza Romano.
Carried

Motion: Kelly motioned to donate \$100. To Unako Rising to purchase a Brick on behalf of our committee to be installed in the Unako Rising building. The brick will have PSAC Okanagan Human Rights Committee on the brick itself. Seconded by Maria Luiza Romano.
Carried

Action Plan

Ouch

Kelly briefly presented the Ouch Your Silence Hurts module of the Ouch program. The venue was unusually loud due to graduation and time was too limited. Carried over to the next meeting where we will work through a full presentation.

Round Table

Round table and discussion on ideas & projects for the committee.

Meeting adjourned: 6:00 pm

Event following meeting

The committee participated in the Unako Rising event and listened to speakers on IWEN. It is a local active organization based in Kelowna that helps women and community in Nepal. The HR enjoyed the event and it was interesting to listening to the different speakers. A lot of the women are sold into service for \$50. Unako pays the family the \$50 and provides education instead of service. In addition to building schools they also provide bikes to the women which are instrumental in allowing them a far better life.

Links..... IWEN (inter-cultural women's educational network) <http://iwencanada.com>

And an event link <http://www.globalcitizenkelowna.org/event/unako-rising/>

Next meeting: June 7, 2014, in Vernon. Please contact ahale@shaw.ca for details.