

VIHRC DRAFT MINUTES

Vancouver Island Human Rights Committee Minutes
Meeting held at the PSACBC Region Office, Victoria
September 22, 2016

Present:

Josh Miller - CEIU
Giselle Henry - USGE
Paul Jones - UNDE
Orlena Lucas - UEW
Ian Gillies - CEIU

PSAC Staff:

Dave Jackson
Victoria Regional Representative

Meeting called to order by Brother Miller at: 5:30 pm

Brother Miller motioned to accept minutes of July 6, 2016
Seconded by Brother Jones

Carried

Sister Henry motion to accept the Treasurer's report for May, June, July, August and September
Seconded by Brother Jones

Carried

Discussion on the appointment of a committee Secretary until the AGM
Sister Lucas and Sister Gillies were recommended. Sister Lucas declined deferring to Sister
Gillies who accepted the position.
Brother Miller appointed Sister Gillies until the AGM.

There was a discussion on the current status on the VIHRC's letter of appeal for Regional
support of the committee. The final review is to be completed by Brother Miller and Brother
Jones and letter to be sent out the previously identified parties.

Discussion on the Human Rights Committee drafting a resolution for next year's National
Human Rights Conference around the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #57:
Professional Development and Training for Public Servants.

Brother Jones, Sister Henry & Brother Miller will work together to draft resolution and present
to the committee for furtherance to the NHR Conference.

Brother Miller gave his thoughts on Bylaw changes for the upcoming AGM. It was discussed that the Bylaw change recommendations would have to be sent out to the committee membership at least 15 days prior to the AGM as per VIHRC Bylaw 9.

Sister Henry made a motion to donate \$100.00 in support the Prevention of Violence Against Women Vigil on 06 December 2016.

Seconded by Brother Jones

Carried

Sister Henry motioned for the VI Human Rights Committee initiate a promotion of International Human Rights Day by holding a Sacred Water Ceremony linking the initiative to the PSAC National "Thirsty for Justice" campaign.

Dave Jackson recommended that a sub-committee be struck to begin work on the planning of a Sacred Water Ceremony. Members identified to sit on the committee – Sister Henry, Brother Jones and Sister Colleen Girard SVI Geographical Coordinator – Dave Jackson, Staff Advisor.

Seconded by Brother Jones

Carried

M/S/C to adjourn meeting at 7:00pm.