

Vancouver Island Regional Women's Committee
Annual General Meeting
Feb 12, 2020
PSAC BC Victoria RO Boardroom
5:45 pm

Attendees:

Kayla Lichti by phone	Giselle Henry by phone
Marcia Koenders by phone	Marlene Stevens
Terri Phelan	Karolyn Jones
Agnes Donovan	Nancy Sermons
Linda Sullivan	Kim Tenhunen by phone
Leanne Hughes	Kay Ahmadi
Kuldeep Deol	Carolyn Sampson by phone

Regrets:

Meaghan Vanni

Call to order:

Nancy called the meeting to order at 5:48pm

1. Adoption of Agenda:

Motion to accept: Terri, 2nd: Kay. Carried

2. Review and Approval of Nov 20, 2019 meeting minutes:

Motion to accept: Linda, 2nd: Terri. Carried

3. Old Business:

- Dec 6th Candle Light Vigil:

Nancy extremely pleased with the success of the event. There were several speakers along with Virginia Vallancourt, National President, Union of Veterans' Affairs Employees. There were approximately 40-50 people who attended the event. Over \$2000.00 was raised with donations coming in during the evening of the event along with the support of the Victoria Area Council plus some Locals. Thank you to all the volunteers involved for making it somber successful event. Kudos to Nancy for leading the event and special shout to Virginia for coming out.

4. New Business

- International Women's Day – Sunday March 8th

After much discussion of a movie matinee at the PSAC office, there was no one to take the helm and run with this event as it would require some time for planning. It was agreed that the committee needs to plan events in advance to ensure some measure of success. The committee discussed piggy-backing on events currently taking shape.

ACTION: Karolyn – connect with the Victoria Labour Council

Giselle mentioned ending discrimination towards Women by 2030 campaign. She sought the support of the Regional Women's Committee in promoting the campaign. There are a number of events that, if planned in advance, could support this important cause.

Calendar link: www.multifaithcalendar.org

ACTION: Karolyn to connect possible UVIC event

5. Adoption of Y/E Financials:

Kay presented the Annual Financial Statement for Jan 1, 2019 to Dec 31, 2019 and the Annual Budget Request for Jan 1, 2020 to Dec 31, 2020.

Motion to accept Y/E Financials: Leanne; 2nd: Terri; carried.

Discussions were had amongst the group and clarification sought.

- Donations: Heroworks – non-profit organization that radically renovates other non-profits

ACTION: Kayla to provide poster of next renovation project

- Donations: BC Triennial Conference is a 1x only donation in support of door prizes/raffles/baskets.
- Donations: ADD a line for May 6th International Women's Mental Health Day in the amount of \$500
- Event/Project Expenses: add a line for Multi-Cultural Women's Awareness Campaign in the amount of \$500
- Other events discussed:
 - Moose Hide Campaign – anti-violence against women & children.
 - Multicultural calendar that indicates each month's campaigns.
ACTION: Giselle to provide screenshot list of events to Rosemary and look to update PSAC BC Region's page.
 - Herowork's will be renovating this year the Kiwanis Young Family Centre this Spring/Summer. Kahla will get us more information.

This would change current Budget Request from \$1,700.00 to \$2,700.00

Motion to accept Annual Budget Request with changes as noted: Terri, 2nd: Marlene. Carried.

ACTION: Kay to update budget and re-submit to Nancy.

6. Vancouver Island Regional Women's Committee Chair's Overview:
(see attached)

Speakers from Heroworks – Tracie Clayton, Women's Transition House – Susan Howard;
Sent 8 resolutions to Regional Women's Conference 7 passed, kudos to everyone

16 out of 18 resolutions to BC Regional Convention

December 6 was a great event this year so thanks to all that volunteered and participated

7. General Elections:

James Little ran the elections for the following Positions:

- Committee Chair:
 - Karolyn nominated and acclaimed.
- Committee Vice-Chair:
 - Nancy & Giselle nominated. 12 ballots cast. Tied first round of voting. Tied 2nd round of voting. Due to travel and technology, Giselle conceded and James accepted her concession.
Nancy was declared the successful candidate
- Committee Secretary:
 - Kuldeep nominated and acclaimed.
**Kuldeep will remain on as secretary for only a short period of time, until such time a secretary can be appointed
- Committee Treasurer:
 - Kay nominated and acclaimed.

Motion to destroy the ballots: Linda, 2nd-Karolyn. Carried.

8. Next meeting: April 15th, 2020 5:45pm

Meeting adjourned at 1955.