

West Fraser Valley Area Council
September 18, 2017
Knight & Day Restaurant
9677 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC

Present: Richard Hyatt (UTE Local 20050); Georges Tenn (UTE Local 20050); Susie Blyth (CEIU Local 20964); Warren Wulff (UCTE Local 20088); Johann Ackermann (UTE Local 20029); Stephen Klaver (CEIU Local 20910)

Guests: Robert Strang (PSAC Staff Representative – via telephone)

Regrets: Jennifer Chieh Ho (UCTE Local 20088); Monique Bakker (UHEW Local 20147); Samina Anwar (CEIU Local 20910)

Recorder: Susie Blyth

1. Call to Order

Richard called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to accept the Agenda as presented

Moved by: Johann

Seconded by: Stephen

Discussion:

“add” New Business – Delegate Election PSAC 2018 Convention

“remove” Childcare

Carried with amendments

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting June 12, 2017

Motion to adopt the minutes of June 12, 2017

Moved by: Susie

Seconded by: Georges

Carried

4. Finances

Georges indicated that since the last meeting, he has received the finances for June, July and August 2017. Georges reviewed the financials as presented.

Motion to approve Financials as presented

Moved by: Georges

Seconded by: Warren

Carried

Johann made a motion to move the Delegate Election prior to Political Action

5. DELEGATE ELECTIONS – PSAC 2018 CONVENTION

Johann nominates Richard; seconded by Georges – Accept

Stephen nominates Susie; seconded by Georges – Accept

Johann proceeded with the vote. Result 3/3 tie.

Question: can we send the Alternate as an Observer. Robert will enquire and advise.

Both nominees left the room to have a discussion to decide who would be the delegate. The nominees returned and announced that Susie is the Delegate and Richard is the Alternate.

Robert advised Susie to ensure all 4 meeting minutes are sent to Kristen.

Discussion: as Stephen Klaver was on a tight schedule and would have to leave soon, the following motion was made:

Motion to cover the cost of the dinner + 15% tip

Motioned by: Stephen

Seconded by: Johann

Carried

Motion to destroy ballots

Motioned by: Johann

Seconded by: Stephen

Carried

6. POLITICAL ACTION

Susie read Jennifer's email.

Warren indicated that he was at the Labour Day rally at Holland Park

Robert indicated that he was at the Labour Day rally in Kelowna. He mentioned that the Interior Area Council has been invited to join the District Area Council. Robert stated that Trudeau (Justin) was in Kelowna for a Town Hall. Borders were there asking questions. Phoenix protest in Kamloops and Kelowna. Robert stated that the number of actions on Phoenix is increasing. Robert asked if there was an MP that we would like to lobby.

Richard indicated Carla Qualtrough

Johann – Sukh (Dhaliwal). Johann stated that he was the moderator at All Candidates meeting where he was at.

Warren stated that he also lived in her riding.

Richard stated that at the Labour Day rally, John Aldag showed up at the booth and indicated that they have his support on Phoenix. Bowinn Ma also showed up and demonstrated her support. Orange Day is on September 30 in support of Residential Schools.

Richard reminded everyone that Jennifer had requested \$100 for refreshments for the 2017 Canadian Labour International Film Festival (CLIFF) to be held sometime in November.

Motion for WFFAC to pay \$100 towards refreshments for the December 6, 2017 vigil, National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

Motioned by: Johann

Seconded by: Stephen

Carried

Motion for WFLVAC to pay up to \$100 towards refreshments for the 2017 Canadian Labour International Film Festival (CLIFF)

Motioned by: Warren

Seconded by: Richard

Carried

7. EDUCATION

Warren thanked Susie for providing the information regarding the documentary, *All Our Father's Relations* being aired at 7 pm September 30, 2017 on CBC

Warren indicated that there are lots of films regarding Labour and Environmental. Warren asked that we talk to members and invite them to attend VIFF (Vancouver International Film Festival). Warren suggested we check out the PSAC website and see the Education on *Introduction to Union of Industry*.

Last page of the report, October 25, Kwantlen, *Nobody Speak*

Johann stated that the deadline for TUB (Talking Union Basics) was last Friday.

Robert states members must be self-id'd as First Nations, Inuit or Metis to be accepted to attend the *Introduction to the Union for Indigenous Members*

Richard asked if PSAC is covering lost wages?

Robert replied: yes

Johann states the training is on a Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Motion to pay the PSAC Triennial Delegate fee when it comes out.

Motioned by: Johann

Seconded by: Warren

Carried

8. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business

Adjourned 6:56 pm

****NOTE:**

Following the meeting, it was noted that the WFLVAC had not given the required 2 weeks' notice of the Delegate vote. Therefore, an emergency meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the Knight & Day Restaurant where a new vote will be taken.