

**PSAC Okanagan Regional Women's Committee
Minutes of Meeting September 24th, 2011
Summerland Research Station, Summerland**

In Attendance:

Darrell-Lee McKenzie	AGR 20043	Annette Hale	USGE 20153
Roberta Gourlie	CEIU 20915	Jackie Sutton	UTE 20003
Kelly Megyesi	CEIU 20915	Susan Yaciw	UTE 20003
Michele Sibson	UNE 20088	Joy Harrison	APSAR
Linda Woods	UNE 20140		

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. with Roberta Gourlie in the chair.

Note: With the election of Kelly Megyesi to the Regional Council as the Women's Coordinator Roberta Gourlie will take over as Chair of the Okanagan RWC and Kelly will continue as Treasurer.

Minutes: Minutes from March 26, 2011 and May 13, 2011.

Motion to accept the minutes from March 26, 2011 and May 13, 2011. m/s/c.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance: \$2203.45 + \$200.00 from REVP = 2403.45

1) Naramata Workshop

- The Okanagan RWC is planning a union educational event for September 14th and 15th at the Naramata Centre.

Action: Susan to contact the Education Officer at the Vancouver RO to discuss holding the PSAC Women at Work course in Naramata for Sep 2012.

Motion: To support holding a union educational event for September 14th and 15th at the Naramata Centre. (m: Kelly, s: Michele) m/s/c – unanimous.

Motion: To pay a non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 to hold the Naramata Centre for the dates of September 14th & 15th for a union educational event for Okanagan PSAC members. (m: Kelly, s: Susan) m/s/c – unanimous.

2) Walk 4 Justice

- Kelly gave an update of the Walk 4 Justice, which was a BC initiative, and was a march to Ottawa to raise awareness about the plight of the far too many murdered and missing women across Canada

3) Eastside Beauty Night

- Kelly to attend the next Eastside Vancouver Beauty Night to help women on the Eastside of Vancouver. Perhaps will host a similar event in Vernon. For more info see: beautynight.org > also video on YouTube.

4) BC Women's Summer Institute

- Roberta and Kelly attended the BC Women's Summer Institute. The focus was on political action, they also participated in a flash mob to protest the HST. Both agreed it was an excellent 4 day learning event which kept them very busy. See attached report by Roberta.

5) Women's World Conference

- Kelly attended this event in Ottawa in June. Report to follow.

6) Nepal Donation

Motion: For RWC to make a \$25.00 donation towards the Nepal organization assisting young women in Nepal. m/s/c.

7) Buttons for December 6th

Action: Kelly to send info by email to RWC regarding design and distribution of buttons for December 6th.

Round Table

Roberta – reminder that NOLC meetings are starting again and Roberta to attend when possible.

Kelly – as part of her role on the BC Regional Council, Kelly is now also part of the BC Fed's Women's committee.

Next Meeting: Tentatively: Thursday, October 27th, time and location TBA

Adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

m/s/c