

Human Rights Committee Meeting
September 25, 2012

In Attendance:

Dean Bordokas, Secretary
Wendy Bruce, Treasurer
Tracy Shudo, Chair
Regina Brennan, staff resource person

Heidi Janz, Interpreter

On Phone:

Sargy Chima
Celine Ahodekon

Regrets:

Tammy Grennen
Paul Croes
Katie Moran

Meeting commenced 17:35

Agenda

1. Previous Minutes to be passed
2. AGM to be rescheduled
3. New Business

Tracy reviewed the previous minutes and mentioned how successful the support of the equity events were that members attended.

Tracy motioned to pass the minutes and it was seconded by Wendy.

All unanimously passed the minutes.

Wendy and Dean signed the check to pay P.S.A.C. For the \$500 Fusion Festival Booth and \$250 Vancouver Pride Booth, as approved in the previous HRC meeting.

Regina mentioned that there was an issue with the distribution of the AGM notice for this meeting. In order to ensure adequate notice is given to all. Tracy made a motion and the committee decided to reschedule the AGM to November 1, 2012 at 17:30, subject to the boardroom booking and an interpreter availability. Food will be part of the event.

Tracy wants to have fixed meetings for year and have specific equity events with attended support of members.

Tracy suggested everyone ask 1 new person to come with them so new people could see what our committee is about.

All committee Officers, have accepted to remain in their positions until the AGM, and they are all willing to run again.

New business

Tracy to invite JLP to attend our AGM to let all know about their courses they offer that relate to Human Right's (Duty to Accommodate etc.)

Sargy brought up that the BC Fed 55th convention is coming up from Nov 26th to 30th, 2012 ... She said this would be an election year and participation would be important.

Tracy, agreed that supporting this event is important. It supports P.S.A.C. and therefore the H.R.C.

Sargy motioned and Tracy seconded and the committee decided by vote unanimously to fund the attendance of Human Right's Committee members, as delegates

It was decided to fund \$ 200 each for a max. of 3 people or \$ 250 each for up to 2 delegates.

Tracy will invite Bob Jackson for the next AGM and have him do a 15 minute presentation of our next 3 year slogan like the current "We are Affected".

The P.S.A.C. Human Right's Convention November 2013,
We discussed the make up of the new structure of the National Human Right's Conferences. There will be 1 conference for the five equity groups (Pride, Access, Aboriginal, Women and the Racially Visible Groups). We will have individual caucuses, and can choose to participate in a number of workshops, but only 1 election for attending the resolutions debate on the floor. The event will be held in Toronto and it will be an excellent way to network within all the attending equity groups.

The committee encourages members to apply.

18:53 Meeting Adjourned.