

Regional Women's Committee (RWC) Meeting

15Jan2014

Attendees:

Cheryl Oenema (chair)
Tracy Shudo
Kelly Sidhu (treasurer)
Jessica Kerek (secretary)
Crystal Warner
Kelly Megyesi
Angela Marafan (phone)
Sargy Cheema
Jennifer Horsley
Jennifer Chieh-Ho (phone)
Deanna Kimball (PSAC Staff)
Sandy Chatha (phone)
Linda Harding
Nancy Burton
Karen Sutton

Agenda:

1. Previous Minutes
2. Treasurer's report – 2013 year end financials
3. Proposed budget for 2014
4. Elections:
 - a. delegate & alternate for PSAC BC Regional Convention
 - b. VRWC Executive Chair
 - c. VRWC Co-Chair
 - d. VWRC Secretary
 - e. VWRC Treasurer
5. 2014 Planning
6. 14Feb2014 – march in the DTES
7. Motion for IWD event in Surrey
8. Round table

17:58 meeting commenced

Round robin of introductions

1. Previous AGM Minutes from 2013 – Tracy asks of the minutes are supposed to be passed at the next meeting (i.e. why are we passing them almost a year later?).
 - Cheryl clarifies that AGM minutes are passed at the next AGM; other meetings minutes are passed at the next meeting.
 - Linda asked if the last names of individuals can be included in future minutes as she does not know who many of the members are, and some of them have the same names.
 - Cheryl stated she would amend to include the surnames.
 - it was also noted that there was a typo under “treasurer”

- Nancy moved (m) adoption of the previous minutes with amendments
- Tracy seconded (s)
- All in Favour (AIF), the motion is carried

2. The treasurer's report is presented as per the attachment. Kelly S. would like to extend her thanks to Deanna for helping to finalize the finances and standardize the reporting
 - there was discussion regarding the cashing of cheques and which year's budget they would reflect in. It was determined that it would reflect in the 2014 budget (specifically for CLC Winter School) given the bill would not show for the individual until the new year. It was also noted that there was an outstanding cheque for \$300, which year is it being accounted in? After much discussion, it was determined that the amounts would be reflected in the budget where the cost was realized.
 - a friendly vote was called to pass the year-to-date financials. AIF, the motion is carried.
3. Proposed budget for 2014 – Kelly S. (m), Crystal (s)
 - the budget is very similar to the previous year, with slight changes due to SIUW and various conventions. Discussion over teleconference calls and the cost of SIUW ensued.
 - significant discussion over covering mileage for members who reside in the Fraser Valley, including the costs of tolls.
 - it was suggested that the meeting location for the RWC be moved. This did not work for the BCMYWC as majority of members reside or work in Vancouver, members were not able to call in, and parking/transit was an issue.
 - amendments were made to various line items to adjust for meeting costs and various conferences.
 - Kelly S. (m), Jen H. (s) the revised budget. AIF, the motion is carried
4. It was determined that elections would be held after all other agenda items were completed
5. 2014 planning – discussion around various events that the RWC can host/participate in
6. It was determined that the Terms of Reference would be discussed after elections
7. There is a march in the DTES on February 14th. The information will be on the website.
 - Kelly M. mentioned 12 billion rising, the event should be advertised
8. Jen C-H. needs a volunteer for the IWD event in Surrey and suggests maybe the RWC should get more involved in the organizing committee. Various members of the RWC asked for more information regarding the event. It will be held at the Queen Elizabeth High School in Surrey
 - Jen C-H (m) for a \$200 donation to the Surrey Women's Shelter, Angela (s)
 - Discussion occurred with respect to whether or not the donations committee should be asked first. It was determined that as a women's committee, the RWC should support women's issues and funding requests may be brought to the RWC independent of the donations committee
 - AIF, the motion is carried
 - with respect to the VDLC IWD dinner, last year the RWC purchased a table. The committee may also consider purchasing a table at Fraserview Hall this year
9. Elections (continued from point #4)

-PSAC BC Regional Convention Delegate:

Tracy S. (n) Kelly Sidhu, Crystal (s)

Jessica (n) Cheryl Oenema, Karen S. (s)

After a secret ballot vote, it was determined that Cheryl was elected as the PSAC BC RWC delegate for the regional convention

Alternate:

Crystal (n) Kelly Sidhu, Linda (s)

Kelly was acclaimed as the alternate for the BC RWC Alternate for the regional convention

-Karen S. (m) that the alternate also be able to attend as an observer, Linda (s). AIF, the motion is carried.

-RWC Executive:

-Chair – Crystal (n) Jessica Kerek, Cheryl (s)

Nancy (n) Cheryl Oenema, Angela (s); Cheryl declined to stand.

Jessica is acclaimed as the RWC Chair

-Co-chair – Jessica (n) Crystal Warner, Cheryl (s)

Crystal is acclaimed as the RWC Co-chair

-Secretary – Karen S. (n) Nancy Burton, Tracy (s)

Jessica (n) Cheryl Oenema, Crystal (s)

After a secret ballot vote, it was determined that Nancy was elected as the Secretary for the RWC

-Treasurer – Jen C-H (n) Kelly Sidhu, Tracy (s)

Kelly is acclaimed as the RWC Treasurer

-Nancy (m) that the ballots be destroyed, Jen H. (s). The ballots were destroyed (including text ballots for those on the phone)

10. Terms of Reference (continued from point #6)

-the Terms of Reference will be included on the next AGM agenda as a standing item

The next meeting date will be determined prior to International Women's Day.

19:44 – meeting adjourned