



PSAC Okanagan Area Council

MINUTES

September 22nd, 2018

Kelowna BC

In attendance: McKenzie, Darrell-Lee (AAFC-AAC); Carolyn McGillivray; Joy Harrison (APSAR); Linda Woods (UNE); Maria Luiza Romano (CFIA) by phone; Michele Sibson (UNE)Nadia Sokal (AGR);

Missing: Joanne Hay; Kelly Megyesi (regrets); Susan Yaciw (regrets); Annette Hale; Karen Sutton; Jacqueline Sutton; Colleen-UVAE

1. Adoption of Agenda – Additions:

- a. Phone call with Kelly Sidhu (PSACBC Womens Rep)
- b. Susan Yaciw email re: HER International
- c. Irene Lanzinger email
- d. Monica Urrutia email re book about Female Mariners
- e. Maria Luiza – donations
- f. Darrell-Lee – Workers History Museum Calendars

2. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting –m DL/sLW

3. Treasurer's Report

- a. Bank Statement @ 31 08 2018 - \$4599.88
 - i. Less outstanding chk from June 23 (H.O.P.E. Outreach Kelowna) <\$100> \$4499.88
- ===== balance

Motion to accept as presented: mDL/sLW

4. Unions Working for Women Event (attendance)

- a. Michele Sibson and Maria Luiza were selected to attend; Carolyn McGillivray and Nadia Sokal selected as alternates. Maria Luiza will not be able to attend and will ask that her

seat be given to an alternate from the Okanagan Region. Michele may also have a calendar conflict and if unable to attend will also ask that an alternate from the Okanagan Region be selected to replace her.

5. PHONE meeting with Kelly Sidhu was not completed – she sent emails for distribution/please watch your inbox
6. Susan Yaciw was contacted by HER International following up asking for a “coffee date” - most likely a request for additional donations (REMINDER – H.E.R. International helps indentured women, or those sold by their families into slavery and the sex trade in Nepal.) - it was decided that as this organization has high dollar sponsors locally and internationally, ORWC will focus on more local needs (Kelowna HOPE Outreach). Joy Harrison suggested that we can support H.E.R. International with our attendance at events for this group.
7. Reminder to check your email forwarded to you (Irene Lanzinger, President, BCFED) asking each member to take action to fix BC’s Worker’ comp system.
8. Monica Urrutia sent a notice about a book celebrating female mariners written by Sister Brianna Snider titled: Women at Sea. Motion was made by DL to purchase hard copy books for ORWC “library” and as gifts for no more than \$100. (mDL /sML). As no price was provided, query will be made to Monica U and Kelly S as to purchase opportunity.
9. Maria Luiza advised that she had been contacted by Covenant House and OXFAM for Xmas donations. Her research found that OXFAM is a most trusted and accredited international organization. There will be an online informational item sent with a motion/proposal to vote for a donation. Please watch for this email from Maria Luiza and participate.
10. Darrell-Lee put forward a motion to purchase 15 calendars from the Workers History Museum – This year’s theme features 24 Women “firsts”. (mLW/sDL)

11. December 2018 Volunteer event – unanimous agreement to participate in the Sunshine Rotary Christmas Dinner for the Kelowna Women’s Shelter. Confirmation of our participation has been sent (and acknowledged 2018 09 22 @ 12:04) by the organizer. No firm date has been set but he is looking at Wednesday December 12, 2018. ORWC has advised that we are available to help prep food and serve food this year. Further information and confirmation will be sent to any and all interested by email in the coming months.

It was voted to again provide a \$100 grocery Gift Cert from the ORWC and \$100 Grocery Gift Cert from Okanagan Area Council to the event. (mDL/sML)

HR committee will be meeting and discussing an additional contribution to this event (thanks for the heads up Kelly M)

12. ROUND TABLE:

a. LW: If you are travelling to Ottawa, remember to visit the War Museum – excellent. (and per DL – Thursday evenings after 5 all Gallery and Museum entrance fees are FREE)

13. NEXT MEETING is AGM – January 26, 2019 / Location to be confirmed

14. Adjourned approx 10:30