

Vancouver Regional Women's Committee
5238 Joyce St, Vancouver
Annual General Meeting
July 7, 2015

Meeting called to order at 5:50

In Attendance:

Sister Nancy Burton	-Secretary - USGE 20015 – RVP USGE Pacific Region
Sister Sargy Cheema	-CEIU 20949
Sister Tracy Shudo	-member in good standing
Sister Virginia Vaillincourt	-
Sister Ruby Langdon	-AANDC 20150
Sister Emma Fleetham	-Chair – AANDC 20150
Sister Deanna Kimball	-PSAC BC Office Staff

Attendees via phone call: Sister Jennifer Horsley, Sister Crystal Warner.

1. National Equities Conference has been moved to spring of 2017.
Regional Women's Committee Conference update by Deanna, conference suggestions on how things should run with voting during the conference.
2. Child Care Campaign should be made as a priority focus for the election 2015, each of the Women's Committees in the Pacific Region should start doing activities around child care, we need to ramp up action on childcare, as it is a priority campaign from PSAC. Each region has been given \$6000.00 to fund activities for the child care campaign. There was discussion on types of campaigns that the RWC could engage in, Sister Ruby to spearhead an event for a childcare campaign, Sister Tracey and Sister Virginia have committed to help. It was also suggested to send out a request to other committees to help, like the Youth Committee which is willing to help.
3. Up For Debate – 3 major topics for this campaign – talk to your candidate for upcoming federal election.
4. *“Walking with our Sisters Event”* – happening end of July to end of August in Comox, represents aboriginal women and their lives cut short.

Motion by Sister Tracey Shudo to donate 50.00 to this campaign. Motion tabled, as we do not have a balance for the budget.

Sister Sargy to find out balance of budget for amount of donation and will lift motion from table to discussion.

5. *“October is Women's History Month”* – need to send information to members on women in history and accomplishments of. Possibly host a women's night ie: movie night. Sister Virginia will forward information to Sister Deanna to post at PSAC RO.
6. *“Sisters in Spirit Vigils”*- October 4 – would like women to attend Native women's vigil. Women's Committee would like to see an event started in Vancouver. Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women is a major Federal Election issue being pushed by PSAC.

7. Round table

Sister Crystal – 3 events this summer-haven't seen cc info on any of them, possibly send some inform to the events.

Sister Sargy – thanks to Sister Emma for being chair of VRWC, for all your expertise and commitment, wish you luck in your studies.

Sister Ruby – good day at Aboriginal day celebrations in Vancouver, thanks to Sister Tracey and Sister Crystal for the help and the friends that Sister Crystal brought

Sister Tracey – Fusion Festival in Surrey, July 18th and 19th, still looking for volunteers to help man booth, Vancouver Pride Festival is in need volunteers- Vancouver Area Council BBQ-July 19th-2 – 5 pm-check website for more information

Sister Virginia – thanks to Sister Emma for being part of the VRWC and good luck on your education in your future.

Sister Nancy – attended Aboriginal day festivities in Douglas Park in Langley sponsored by Lower Fraser Valley Aboriginal Society

Sister Crystal – confirming that Sister Sargy will resume the responsibility of the chair of committee until Elections are held.


Sister Emma – thanks to this committee for electing her as chair, for the community, the warm welcoming events of the PSAC.

Motion to adjourn by Sister Sargy
Second by Sister Tracey

Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:40

Chair or Co-chair



Secretary

Date

2012.08.18

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