

**West Fraser Valley Area Council Meeting:**

**Date:** August 23, 2021

**Time:** 5:30pm

**Location:** Online / ZOOM

**Special Guest speaker at 5:45pm:** Bev Sellrs

**Present:** Nielene Chand (President, UTE 20007) , Monique Bakker (treasurer, UHEW 20147), Celine Ahodekon (Vice-President, UNE 20278) , Zita Lambert (UTE 20007), Suzie Blyth( CEIU 20964),

**Guests:** Alan Otrosina, Ann-Marie Frieson, Dolly Ablitt, Laurel Axaam, Leila Jaakkola, Lisa Webster, Michelle Troung, Nadia Sokal,, Patricia Ducharme, Terri D’Souza, Trish Martin, Valerie McKee, Sheryl Harry, Karen Sutton

**Regret:** Mike Reeves (USJE 20086)

**Staff:** Robert Strang

**Call To Order:** Lands acknowledgement and presentation of the WFVAC ‘s executives by Nielene, the President at 535pm

**Adoption of Agenda** MS Monique/Celine – carried

**Guest Speaker at 545pm** – Presentation and discussion on Indian Residential School System by Bev Sellars, author of “They Called Me Number One”

**Special Draw:** 2 Draws for a copy of Bev Sellars Book “They Called Me Number One” – Winners: Valerie McKee and Dolly Ablitt, Dolly Ablitt stated that she already has a copy and requested that another draw take place for a different winner. Another special draw taken at end of regular meeting: Winner Karen Sutton

**Regular meeting after the guest speaker:** M/S Suzie/Zita to pay an honorarium of \$350 to Bev Sellars, \$200 will be covered by PSAC and remaining \$150 cost by Area Council -Carried.

**Review and Adoption** of the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting report: M/S by Celine/Monique and carried.

**Financial Report** presented by Monique:

\$55.59 spent on the CBSA Drive by event as PSAC covered \$120 of costs, \$60 expenses to cover childcare costs for Monique to attend CBSA Drive by event (Previous meeting motion was accepted to expense upto \$150 for the CBSA drive by event)

\$41.81 spent on the two books as door prizes and \$350 honorarium paid to the guest speaker. PSAC paying \$200 and the remaining paid by WFVAC – M/S Suzie/Monique and carried.

Bank balance: \$3,775.66 - See the financial report for the details on expenditure - MS Monique/Zita and carried

Donation to Lytton wildfires: \$200 to be donated to Lytton community - M/S Monique/Celine -carried

**Education / Events** – CBSA Boundary Bay Drive event received good feedback, it was a total success! CBSA members appreciative of event.

**Upcoming union courses:** Talking Union Basics and Grievance Handling – see PSAC BC website.

**Political Action** –Election coming up soon so let’s be informed and support the best candidates – there will be information sessions held by WFVAC and Women Committee – See PSAC BC website

**Vacancy:** WFVAC needs to fill the secretary position. 3 calls made for election of new secretary. As no nominations brough forward, position remains vacant. We will put forward election again at next meeting. Please put your name forward if you would like to help.

**2022 PSAC National Triennial Convention:** Deadline to submit resolutions: Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, please send them to the area council ahead of time @ [psacbc-ac-westfraservalley@psac-afpc.com](mailto:psacbc-ac-westfraservalley@psac-afpc.com)

**New Business** nothing to report

**Roundtable:** nothing to report

**Special Draw:** Draw for Bev Sellars book “They Called Me Number One” – Winner: Karen Sutton

**Next meeting:** Tentative date: November 8, 2021 @ 5:30pm - Special AGM to elect delegate to PSAC National Triennial Convention

**Adjournment** at 7:35pm