

East Fraser Valley Area Council Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2022

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Start 6:01 pm

Quorum was met

In attendance:

Patty Ducharme, PSAC Area Representative

Antony Paller, President

Amanda MacKinnon, Vice President

Stacey Gauthier, Treasurer

Heidi Kay, Secretary

Kirsty Havard, USJE BC RVP

Alan Otrasina, USJE Local 20141

Dave Rude, USJE Local 20141

Brad Shaw, USJE Local 20011

Adoption of Agenda

Antony verbally reviewed proposed agenda including:

- 1- Review agenda.
- 2- President's update
- 3- Financial Report
- 4- Discuss revised 2022 budget
- 5- Summer event planning

As no additions to the agenda were required, Antony motioned the agenda be adopted as presented.

Seconded by Heidi Kay

All in favour- Motion carried

President's Report

Antony informed the attendees that the executive was made aware that the budget originally decided upon at the AGM put our council in the position of owing monies back to BC PSAC. The executive had a meeting and a new budget will be proposed and will be presented later in the meeting.

Antony moved that his report be accepted as presented.

Seconded my Amanda.

All in favour – Motion carried

Financial Report

Stacey reported that we currently have a balance of 3060.50. Since January 2022 the only charges that would have been charged to the account are the 4.95 monthly banking fees. He mentioned that he currently has no access to the account so the balance is an estimate. Patty is currently making arrangements with the bank to have Stacey and Heidi added on to the account.

Alan put forward a motion that any executive member who needs to take time from work be given 3 hours of paid union leave to attend to the banking requirements.

Seconded by Antony

All in favour – Motion carried

Revised Budget

Proposed revised budget was reviewed and changed to include 600.00 for General Membership Meetings, 800.00 for donations, 4000.00 for Event/Project Expenses and 70.00 for bank fees.

EFVAC is looking to hold or participate in 4 events this d. year. Discussion was held around holding mobilization events at 3 or 4 locations through spring to fall this year. Patty will look into accessing union paid leave to help members attend.

New budget totals 5470.00 for 2022. With a starting balance of 3060.50, the request from the BC PSAC office will be for 2409.50.

Stacey motioned for the budget to be accepted.

Seconded by Alan.

All in favour – Motion carried.

Patty will send the revised budget to the BC PSAC RVEP's office.

Mobilization Events

Discussion was held around possible events that we could organize or participate in. Antony will find out if there will be a Labour Day picnic held this year and report back to the group at the next meeting.

Alan suggested that we hold our first event to coincide with Federal Public Service Week from June 12-18th. Possibly an ice cream truck set up at the CSC Matsqui Complex. Kirsty will talk to the the CSC RDC to see if we can get permission to hand out ice cream and Heidi will reach out to vendors to get cost estimates for 250-300 ice cream cones.

Patty will contact Heidi and Stacey to follow up on the estimates and will set up a meeting or an email response to vote on which quote we will go with.

Texting working shop training will be coming up. Information will be sent to out to members on May 2nd.

Roundtable

Heidi- mentioned that we discussed having guest speakers. Could everyone think of who we would like to come speak and we could try and arrange it to be included at our September Meeting.

Dave – nothing

Kirsty – nothing

Alan – nothing

Stacey – nothing

Amanda – nothing

Brad – nothing

Kirsty – nothing

Antony – Suggested that we get BC PSAC flags and have staff sign them to show our support for our bargaining team.

Patty – Brought up upcoming education classes

-TUB Training is just finishing up but there are additional courses being held in June.

-Grievance Training will be offered in the first week of May

-There will be 2 Local Officer Training courses to be held on June 8th and 22nd.

In person conferences will resume in the fall (Regional Health & Safety and Women's Conference)

BC PSAC staff are expected to be back at the office at the end of May.

Next meeting is June 23rd at 6:30 White Spot at Watcom Road.

Adjourn

Alan motioned for the meeting to be adjourned.

Seconded by Stacey.

Meeting adjourned 7:57