



PSAC BC BRUSH Committee
Virtual Zoom Meeting – July 03/2025 – Call to Order at 1831

Chair: Tracy Arrowsmith

1. Roll call – see attached spread sheet

First Name	Last Name	Local	Virtual / In- Person	Notes	Attended
Nielene	Chand		In-Person	PSAC Staff	x
Tracy	Arrowsmith	UTE20002	Virtual	BRUSH Co-Ordinator	x
Julie	Kelly	CIU 20045	Virtual	BRUSH Alternate	x
Jackie	Robertson	UTE20028	Virtual	Treasurer	x
Karen	Parent	CEIU 20921	Virtual	Secretary	x
Priscilla	Lam	UTE20050	In-Person		x
Devin	Bagri	DCL 22000	In-Person		x
Monique	Bakker	UHEW20147	Virtual		x
Ankit	Arora	CEIU 20910	Virtual		x
Barney	Hynes	UCTE20232	Virtual		x
Curtis	Chan	UNE20140	Virtual		x
Damian	Dorschner	UVAE20035	Virtual		x
Trish	Martin	CEIU 20975	Virtual		x
Zoe	Johnston	USJE20011	Virtual		x
Leanne	Hughes	CIU 20042	Virtual		x
Jas	Gill	CEIU 20903	Virtual		x
Josh	Peterson	UNDE21009	Virtual		x
Marcelo	Lazaro	UNDE21016	Virtual		x
Sharon	Cowie	UTE20027	Virtual		x
Tracy	Zylyk	USJE20011	Virtual		x
Zita	Lambert	UTE20007	Virtual		x
Alan	Otrosina	USJE20141	Virtual		x
Kirsty	Havard	USJE20091	Virtual		x

2. Territorial Acknowledgement – Tracy

3. Moment of Silence for Workers Killed and Injured on the Job –

4. Accepting the Agenda

- motioned by

- 1st – Sharon
- 2nd – Barney
- Carried

5. Passing minutes – Approve as amended

- 1st – Jackie
- 2nd – Josh
- Carried

6. Treasurer Report

- Savings account - \$5868.59
- Chequing -5.12
- We have been approved to receive our \$1500 once our balance is low enough
- Letter sent to Credit union to amend the official signers to include Julie Kelly and Karen Parent

7. Old Business

- **Looking for a presenter** – Julie has recommended a holistic nutritionist talking about Toxic load (chemical in our water/air and food). We would also get the power point presentation. Lots of options for October in the evenings

Motion: that the BRUSH committee engage the holistic nutritionist at a cost of |\$350 + taxes and other related costs for a presentation in the month of October 2025. (Julie motioned)

- 1st – Julie
- 2nd Barney
- Carried
- Newsletter articles for PSAC
 - AED pamphlet and Scent aware poster designed by Julie are ready for publication
- Terms of reference (TOR) – states in BRUSH TOR any amendments need to be done at a “special meeting” dedicated to amending the TOR. Discuss ensued about too many meetings Alan suggests we amend the TOR to allow for alterations at other meeting that the membership is given 28 days notification such as the AGM

Membership engagement/Growing BRUSH – encourage members to attend

9. New Business

- Barney gave an update on the death of the lighthouse keeper. The cause of death has not been officially given by the pathologist (whether it is a broken neck from a ladder fall or a myocardial infarction caused the fall). It has been given as a directive that NO more keepers will work alone for any period of time, even if this means flying the keeper out until a partner can be located. The scene is still secured and will be until the investigation ends
- Banking Update – see Financial report

- Security incidents downtown Victoria on June 24 – everyone is ok but the Commissionaire has to take time off from work. Please be aware of your surroundings
- Discussion on resolutions and creating an ad hoc committee to deal with these issues
- Discussion regarding updating terms of reference
 - Decision made to address a vote on amendments at 2026 AGM
 - Some concerns about removing special meetings from TOR
 - Tracy to review proposed amendments and have them sent out prior to AGM

10. Labour Council Update –

- National Lobby Days will be held to lobby new MPs
- Mental Health First Aid potentially to be offered by PSAC
- Phoenix claims continue to rise
- PSAC is pursuing additional damages
- Election was a win for labour in keeping the conservatives out of power
- For you Canada Campaign was successful

12. PSAC Update –

- new staff have been hired (2 reps) Alex and Varinder are off all summer so any issues would be covered by a different rep
- See the PSAC BC website for fall upcoming education
- Racialized Conference applications are enow open – closing August 18

There are multiple Pride events that PSAC is involved in – if anyone is interested

11. Round Table :

12. Next meeting: October 30, 2025

Adjourned at 20:08