



PSAC BC BRUSH Minutes

Virtual Zoom Meeting — October 08/2028

Chair: Tracy Arrowsmith

Call to Order

Roll call – attached

Sabrina Kerr	CIU	20045
Michael Krueger	USJE	20017
Sandra Borger	UNE	20278
Barney Hynes	UCTE	20232
Leanne Hughes	CIU	20042
Sharon Cowie	UTE	20027
Julie Kelly	CIU	20045
Tracy Arrowsmith	UTE	20002
Karen Parent	CEIU	20921
Jennifer Horsley	UPCE	20095
Damian Dorschner	UVAE	20035
Kiera Duhamel	UTE	20050

- 1. Territorial Acknowledgement – Tracy**
- 2. Moment of Silence for Workers Killed and Injured on the Job –**
- 3. Accepting the Agenda**
 - 1st – Barney**
 - 2nd - Julie**

Passing minutes – for July 9th meeting

1st – Julie

2 – Barney

Tracy will attach BC Federation of Labour minutes for Interest

5 Treasurer Report -

- Chequing account balance - \$4406.81 – no spending since July's meeting
- Savings - \$ 539
- 1st – Jenn
- 2nd – Julie

6 Introduction of New PSAC staff – Welcome Maxwell

7 Old Business

- Newsletter Ad hoc Committee – to meet briefly after the meeting (Sharon, Julie, Tracy ad Sandra)
- Scent issues – ongoing concern in some offices. Tracy received a request for a ergonomic assessment for scent – if anyone knows of one please forward the template

8 New Business

- PSAC National Triennial Convention will be held in May 2027 in Halifax- general discussion of who is going and what happens at convention
- There is a request for a template to use when reporting OHS activities to the local – if anyone has one, please forward it along

- Barney is requesting funding for CLC Winter School – taking the course Federal Labour Laws and researching Labour Law. The total cost is \$2386 for the registration (not including loss wages and transportation). The request is for \$1000 to defer costs and a report will be given after the course.
- Motion: to give Barney \$1000 for Winter School (the monies to come from the Education line in the budget) made by Julie, 2nd Jenn – carried.
- PSAC Regional Committees Summitt is upcoming at the end of November - all the BRUSH executive are attending

9 BC Federation of Labour Update: Tracy to attach report

10 Regional committee Update – none

11 PSAC Update

- Bargaining update – it isn't going well for any group – all are at impasse or in mediation
- Please take photos of your team on 'wear black' day (third Wednesday of the month) and sent them to the regional office
- BC-39 – "Strike Busting " Bill – Federation of Labour has a campaign to stop the bill from passing
- PSAC scholarships for winter School are located on their webpage due Nov 16 and BC Federation of Labour has some Scholarships too – see their web page
- Many events happening within PSAC – see the web pages for info – the Fraser Valleys Pumpkin patch event is back
- An Environment Summitt is being planned for 2027

12 Round table

- Sharon asked how to apply for CLC Winter school funding from BRUSH – either by written letter or come to the next meeting
- Julie – shine a light on Domestic Violence – many places have purple light bulbs by donation
 - -what do you do when online chats are not a safe space for all people – contact your component RVP, talk with PSAC – all chats should be safe and respectful places

- Jen – they had a Labour Canada audit this summer – Jenn was involved as the employee rep – stated it was good – just no breaks

13 Adjournment – 2000

Next meeting – TBA December 2026