VANCOUVER AND DISTRICT AREA COUNCIL MEETING

September 21, 2022

Call to Order: 6:02pm

In Attendance:

Jennifer Horsley (President), Warren Wulff (1st Vice President), Marion McLarty (Secretary), Ruby Langan (Human Rights Committee Delegate), Scott Josephson (UCTE 20223), Ann-Marie Friesen (UHEW 20729), Cliff Sabapathypillai (UTE 20029), Shane Polak (UVAE 20045)

Monica Urutia (PSAC Staff Representative)

Todd Smith (Guest)

Regrets:

Nick Pearson (UCTE 20088), Jamey Mills (REVP-BC)

STANDING ITEMS:

- 1. Territorial Acknowledgement by Jennifer Horsley. Round table of planned ways to mark reconciliation day September 30.
- 2. Approval of Agenda (Warren/Marion/Carried)
- 3. Approval of April 13, 2022 minutes (Marion/Shane/Carried)
- 4. Ratification of email votes from July 15: \$700 for August 6 barbeque and \$150 for Labour Day event
- 5. Planning: We will be having two additional meetings this year, November meeting will be a resolutions meeting.
- 6. Slide show commemorating 55 years of the Area Council, one of the oldest continuous standing committees of the PSAC.
- 7. Metro Vancouver Alliance: Hiring a full-time organizer with the goal of re-energizing the organization.
- 8. Phoenix: No current updates.
- 9. Return to Work: Members shared concerns about mandatory return to work policy and the employers' disregard of safety, productivity and duty to accommodate. Also issues of inflexibility and inconsistent policies on behalf of the employer.
- 10. Financial Report: Current balance \$2367.04. Cheque #217 is outstanding.
- 11. Vancouver and District Labour Council: Warren attends as a member of his Local, open to all to attend as guests. PSAC will monetarily assist Locals who wish to affiliate. Warren provided an update of VDLC events and boycotts of businesses

with ongoing labour disputes. The VDLC thanked PSAC for participating in Labour Day events.

12. Affiliate Reports: Updates provided by Ruby, Jennifer, Shane and Aaron.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. PSAC Convention: Warren attended as our delegate, provided a report.
- 2. August 6 BBQ: Great success 50 to 60 members attended.
- 3. Election of Delegate to PSAC BC Convention:

Scott Josephson, UCTE 20088 was acclaimed as Area Council Delegate to BC Regional Convention.

Ann-Marie Friesen, UHEW 20729 was acclaimed as Area Council Alternate Delegate to BC Regional Convention.

ROUNDTABLE:

- 1. Ruby: All welcome to Sisters in Spirit vigil at City Hall October 2, 2022.
- 2. Shane: Asks all to sign the UVA/PSAC petition against contracting out.
- 3. Warren: VDLC has donated their archives of labour history to UBC for preservation.
- 4. Monica: Upcoming PSAC offerings include: Trauma Informed representation for Indigenous Members, Reconciliation Project, and Regional Women's Conference.

Next Meeting October 20, 2022.

Adjourn 7:41 PM