# Vancouver Regional Women's Committee meeting January 18, 2023

1803 - Meeting called

### In attendance:

Priscilla Lam - Co-chair, Chaired this meeting, Zita Lambert - Co-chair, Corinne Clelland – Treasurer, Reena Birk – Secretary, Susanne Dier (CEIU 20903), Linda Harding (GSU 20008), Monique Bakker (UHEW 20147), Alice Wang (UNE 20088), Jen Horsley (UPCE 20095), Natalie Leblanc (USJE 20017), Krista Tebbutt (USJE 20054), Karen Sutton (Women's Coordinator), Alisha Uppal (CEIU 20949), Monica Urrutia (PSAC Staff), Meghan Sorensen (USJE 70125), Nielene Chand (UTE 20007)

## Regrets:

Lea Serron (Communications Officer, UTE 20029)

Priscilla presented the land title acknowledgement Agenda was moved by Linda, seconded by Zita, carried

Previous minutes - approving amended minutes

Monique - moved to approve previous minutes, seconded by Jen, carried (indicated that the previous minutes had typos and capitalisation errors and that the sentences did not always flow)

Election for committee delegates for the National Women's Convention - required is 1 Delegate and up to 3 alternates

Reena - nominated by Krista, seconded by Zita Alice - nominated by Alisha, seconded by Jen Corinne - nominated by Zita, seconded by Jen

Each candidate had the opportunity to speak and present themselves to the committee

Monica had to organize a breakout room as it was a tie

Megan - USJE 71025 @ 1831 joined the meeting - because of the election taking place, unable to let her into the meeting at this point

## 18:36pm - Corinne is the delegate for the National Women's Convention

First Alternate -

Priscilla nominated Reena, seconded by Zita Corinne nominated Priscilla, seconded by Zita Monique nominated Alice, seconded by Zita

Nominations closed -

# For First Alternate:

Alice was asked if she would like to have her name stand - responded yes

Priscilla was asked if she would like to have her name stand - responded yes - she will be given 3 minutes to present herself

Votes were sent to Monica - Reena's name was dropped

### First Alternate is Priscilla

at 1848, Nielene from UTE 20007 entered the meeting

For second Alternate:

Monique nominated Alice, seconded by Natalie

Zita nominated Reena, seconded by Priscilla

Priscilla nominated Nielene, seconded by Zita

Nielene - declined

## **Reena - Yes for Second Alternate**

Alice - declined

For Third Alternate

Corinne nominated Alice, seconded by Zita

## Alice has been nominated and she accepts Third Alternate

Monique asked if it was possible to get an email once the delegates have been confirmed.

Priscilla - begin to review the 4 Resolutions that have been brought forward

Resolution #1 - Access to a Mental Health First Aid Attendant, Linda mentioned that the be it resolved needs to be clear. When needs to be more specific. Committee made some modifications to this resolution

As per Karen - it is not an expectation for us to provide a mental health first aid at PSAC events, this is the employer's responsibility

Mover - Susanne

Seconder - Zita

Suzanne would like to move the resolution to both conferences - BC Racially Visible Conference as well as the BC Regional Conference

Everyone was asked if anyone was opposed? Nobody opposed to this resolution

Resolution #2 - Affordable and accessible childcare

made some adjustments - amended with new sentence add on

Mover - Jen, she advised she would like this resolution to be submitted to both conferences just as Resolution #1, as she feels it does have significant impact in both areas

Seconder - Linda

Everyone was asked if anyone was opposed? Nobody was opposed to this resolution

Resolution #3 - Access to sexual assault evidence - this resolution has no further changes Mover - Jen - moved this resolution to be submitted to both the conferences as she thinks this particularly affects a lot of women and having sexual assault kits available is important for a prosecution to happen

Seconder - Monique

Everyone was asked if anyone was opposed? Nobody was opposed to this resolution

Resolution #4 - some adjustments were made

Mover - Monique moved this resolution forward to be submitted to both conferences so we can get more support for this resolution

Seconder - Zita

Everyone was asked if anyone was opposed? Nobody was opposed to this resolution

**Round Table** 

Jen

Linda

Corinne - Thank you

Nielene - great job on resolutions

Priscilla

Reena

Susanne - thank you for your input for the resolution

Zita - thanks everyone for the great resolutions. AGM is on Feb 8th, March 8th is International Women's Day - think of some ideas to bring forward

Monique - thanked everyone

Karen - Thank you, great resolutions. Notified every one of the following events:

- 1) Kitchen Table Talks for those that self-identify as a woman. What happens after you are elected at the triennial?
- 2) End of April will have received the resolution perhaps, talk about the vote to support the resolution to bring forward

Monica – TB virtual townhalls, CRA - strike votes are out, please register and get the word out. Need a strong strike mandate at the table, encourage racialized folks to register for the PSAC BC RV conference. Priscilla - Thanked everyone

AGM is February 8th, if not able to make it, please advise and notify Monica. Meeting will be hybrid 20:03 - End of meeting