

## **NVIAC Meeting Minutes April 05, 2023 - Zoom Meeting**

Call to Order 6:30 pm

### **Roll Call:**

Richard May President NVIAC, UHEW-STSE 20090

Laura O'Reilly- Treasurer NVIAC, CEIU 20947

Nickie-Lee Dagasso CEIU 20947

Bert Farwell Vice President NVIAC, UCTE 20220

Camille Soper VP BC UNDE 21007

Mariah Moraes USJE 20174

Andy Vaniera UHEW 20090 Nanaimo

Deb Foster - Secretary NVIAC, CEIU 20941

Martha Johnson PSAC Regional Representative

### **Land Acknowledgement**

Richard May

### **Addition to Agenda from AGM - Financial Report, Basket Raffle donation for PSAC BC Regional Convention May 2023, Bowling added to Old Business**

Moved by Bert Farwell

Seconded Camille Soper, All in Favour, Carried

### **Agenda as amended**

Moved by Bert Farwell

Seconded by Camille Soper, All in favour - carried.

### **Minutes from the March 05, 2023 NVIAC meeting**

Moved by Bert Farwell to accept minutes

Camille Soper seconded, All in favour - carried.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Lahra O'Reilly Treasurer presented 2022 Financial Report for NVIAC, Expenditures- Coffee

Chat in Comox \$51.80 plus \$2.59 GST

Bank Balance \$5400.01 (\$0.01 interest)

Other expenditures have not come out of the bank balance yet. Richard May will be making an appointment with the bank to arrange for Laura O'Reilly (Treasurer) to become a signing officer on the NVIAC account with Richard and Bert.

Moved by Bert Farwell

Seconded by Camille Soper, All in favour - carried.

## **New Business**

### **Basket Raffle Donation**

Basket donation from NVIAC to bring to PSAC BC Regional Convention to donate for a raffle. The proceeds from the raffle will be donated to Children's Variety Club of BC.

Bert Farwell made a Motion to use \$150 from NVIAC account to spend on a Raffle Basket to bring to PSAC BC Regional Convention in Vancouver BC (May 5-7, 2023) to raise funds for a donation to BC Children's Variety Club of BC.

Seconded by Laura O'Reilly, All in favour - carried.

Bert made a motion to nominate Nickie-Lee Dagasso to purchase the contents for the raffle basket, which cannot include lottery tickets, or alcohol.

Seconded by Camille Soper, All in favour - carried.

### **Next Meeting May 05, 2023**

Richard May made a motion to cancel the May 05, 2023 NVIAC General Meeting as many of the executive will be at PSAC BC Regional Convention on May 05, 2023.

Seconded by Deb Foster, All in favour - carried.

## **Old Business**

### **Coffee Dates with members**

March 25, 2023 - Bayside Cafe, Comox BC. Turnout was good. Bert Farwell gave a bargaining update. Many members from DND had not had much bargaining information shared with them, and really appreciated the discussion. This was a good way for the NVIAC to support members.

Two coffee dates in Comox were both successful. Richard May said it was a good way to build connections with members, and it will be important to maintain these connections.

Richard had asked Martha for 50 + Strike Booklets to bring to coffee date, and has requested more because they are a popular item.

### **Bowling Night- 'Did Somebody say STRIKE!'**

The Bowling sub-committee has made arrangements at the Nanaimo Bowling alley for renting two lanes, 5-pin bowling, at an approximately \$250 cost for 20 members (members responsible for their own alcohol), April 22, 2023, 19:00 to 21:00. We will be able to add another lane if needed. Decision was made to do 5-pin bowling in Nanaimo BC. Andy Vaniera is working on a poster made up for the event.

### **Bert Gave a Bargaining update**

Back at the bargaining table. Camille asked why we don't get strike vote information, so we can see what way members are voting so far. Bert explained Chris Aylward will not release information until voting has finished, as the employer can hold it against PSAC if numbers are released prematurely. Hopefully, we get a strong strike mandate and the employer comes to the table, and we get a fair contract.

### **Round Table**

Richard let everyone know that PSAC New Officer training is happening in Victoria, BC, and members can sign up on the PSAC BC website. As it is Annual General Meeting (AGM) season there will be lots of new executive members that could benefit from this training.

Camille Soper asked about getting a tent for the Comox Base, and Richard said there is a NVIAC tent being stored at Richard's house.

Camille asked about affiliation with the Courtenay and District Labour Council. Richard said that it would be a good idea to join, and it is a good idea to be affiliated with the Local Labour Council. Camille said she will invite them to one of their UNDE meetings in June 2023.

Martha Johnson asked Jamey Mills and asked to have his response received April 05, 2023, included in the minutes:

'PSAC National pays for affiliation to the CLC for all members. PSAC also pays for dues for Locals that affiliate to the BC Fed. Dues to District Labour Councils are paid by Locals, although subsidies (such as in BC, up to \$400 per Area Council) may be available. I know of several components that either fully or partially pay the DLC dues. Hope that answers, Jamey.'

Bert Farwell reminded everyone to make sure you vote, as the deadline to cast your Strike vote is April 11, 2023, at 11:59 pm EDT. Bert advised to check the National PSAC website for updates.

### **Next NVIAC Meeting**

June 05, 2023 will be the next NVIAC general meeting at 6:30 pm.

### **Motion to adjourn**

Camille Soper moved and Nickie-Lee Dagasso seconded, All in favour- Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 19:00.

Note \* Meeting ended early due to a Canada Employment and Immigration Union (CEIU) Zoom Townhall meeting at 19:00.