

PSAC BC West Fraser Valley Area Council Meeting

Monday, September 9, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

Hybrid: In-person at Ricky's All Day Grill, 17830 56 Ave., Surrey, BC
and Virtual via Zoom

Present:

In person: Mike Reeves (President) USJE 20086, Monique Bakker (Treasurer) UHEW 20147, Zita Lambert (UTE 20007), Susie Blyth (CEIU 20964), Terri Lee, PSAC BC Regional Representative

Virtual: Nerissa Hermosura (Secretary) UTE 20029; Celine Ahodekon UNE 20278; Tam Nguyen (member)

Agenda:

1. Call to Order:
Mike Reeves called meeting to order at 6:04pm.
2. Indigenous acknowledgment:
Mike provided the Indigenous and land acknowledgement.
3. Adoption of Agenda:
M/S Monique/Zita and carried
4. Adoption of minutes from April 29, 2024:
M/S Zita/Susie and carried
5. Treasurer and Financial Report
 - Cheque 194 payable to Mike Reeves for Fusion Festival's volunteer meal allowance payments was cashed against WFVAC Bi-law section 8 Finances sub-section 2 paragraph 1
 - Cheques cannot be signed by an executive member if the cheque was payable to them.
 - Celine Ahodekon was unable to access the bank account to confirm an e-transfer payment and was unable to meet to sign the cheque.
 - Due to the time limitations, the cheque was cashed to ensure payment to the volunteers. Of the \$240 cashed, \$40 was redeposited back into the account. A list of volunteers can be provided.
 - Cheque 196 WFVAC Executives were under the impression that PSAC BC was converging the presentation table cost for Fusion Festival. This turned out not to be the case and WFVAC was required to pay the fee of \$1575.
 - Jeremy Mills was made aware of the extra expense that would exceed our events budget for 2024. He gave the Committee a one-time exemption to cover this and reimbursed the Area Council \$200 to defer part of the cost.

- Direct Bill Payment of \$165.66 was required since Celine Ahodeon was unable at the time to approve e-transfers from the bank account, and there were only 4 cheques left that could be written.
- Mike Reeves approved the purchase of new cheques. The minimum order for a business account is 200 cheques. The duration of the last 200 cheques went from 2016 to now. This cost has also put us over our Miscellaneous / Administrative budget for 2024.

6. Political Action / Events:

- Fusion Festival in July 2024 went well.
- Monique suggested to have an executive member in each shift for future Fusion Festival.
- Local is planning to participate on the December 6, 2024 vigil
- A walk for Truth and Reconciliation Day is being organised.
- Terri talked about the return to office campaign – vast majority of members are ready to take action; plant gating to distribute flyers could be done.

7. Education

- Terri advised that education courses are available and encouraged everyone to as there are spaces usually available. The courses can be found on PSAC website.

8. New Business

9. Roundtable

- Terri thanked everyone in attendance

10. Proposed next meeting date:

Monday, October 7, 2024, Hybrid

11. Adjournment

6:52pm adjourned