

AGM south Vancouver Island Area Council February 20, 2024

Attendees:

President Trish Martin CEIU 20975

Treasurer Ian Wiggs UNDE 21008

Warren Wulff UHEW 20076

Bob Cosman DCL 20500

Danielle Dardengo UNDE 21011

Marcelo Lazaro UNDE VP BC

Ramya Gniey UTE 20028

Susan Young UNDE 21008

Monica Racz UNDE 21008

PSACBC Staff James Little

Guest: Jamey Mills Regional VP BC Region

Meeting called to order by Trish Martin at 5:49pm.

Trish welcomed back James Little and welcome to Jamey Mills for attending.

Trish any additions to the agenda?

Seeing none, we need a mover and seconder to accept the agenda.

Moved Monica Racz

Seconded by Susan Young

None opposed – Carried

Trish Martin – AGM Minutes from 16 Feb 2023 cannot be approved as there is only 1 person in attendance this evening that was at that AGM. Will defer to the next GM to approve those minutes.

Treasurer Ian Wiggs presented the Audited Financial Statement for 2023.

Audited by Tom Watson, Dana Walushka

Moved by Ian Wiggs

Seconded by Warren Wulff

Question by Monica Racz as to why there was no allocation from the PSAC. It was explained that we simply had too much money in the bank.

Any opposed? No, passed.

Ian Wiggs presented the Annual Budget for 2024

Moved by Ian Wiggs

Seconded by Monica Racz

Any opposed? No, passed.

Trish Martin turned the election for Secretary and Vice President over to Staff Rep James Little

James Little explained the rules and called for nominations for the position of Secretary from the floor.

Trish Martin nominated Leanne Hughes

Seconded by Ian Wiggs

Called for nomination 2 more times, no further nominations.

As Leanne was not present, written confirmation was available that she would stand.

James Little -Congratulations you are acclaimed, and we will do the oath of office after the end of the meeting.

James Little called for nominations for the position of Vice President from the floor.

Trish Martin nominated Monica Racz

Seconded by Warren Wulff

Called for nomination 2 more times, no further nominations

James Little – Monica Racz, will you stand for the position of Vice President

Monica Racz – Yes

James Little – Congratulations you are acclaimed, and we will do the oath of office after the end of the meeting.

James Little turned the chair over to Trish Martin

Trish Martin asked Jamey Mills would like to speak.

Jamey Mills – Thanks to all for attending and was great to see everyone. Gave a short brief on what is upcoming, including the 8th anniversary of the Phoenix Pay fiasco, which still has some 400,000 incidents that are not resolved. He asked members to continue to lobby MP's.

Members asked various questions to Jamey.

Trish Martin advised that we need to update our bylaws and that at the next General Meeting we would have a discussion, including changing our name to the Southern Vancouver Island Area Council (SVIAC) to conform with NVIAC. Copies of the present bylaws would be sent to members to review.

Trish Martin talked about the upcoming events that are being planned. Including but not limited to Solidarity Saturdays, some sort of big event in the Spring/Summer such as a ball game, picnic etc and some sort of combined event with the NVIAC.

Round Table:

Trish mentioned that they have had a couple of incidents at the main building of Employment and Immigration with the defacing of 2SLGBTQIA+ posters. This is an alarming situation and efforts are being made to suppress.

Jamey Mills advised that the 2SLGBTQIA+ summit is in May and that the cut off for registration is 15 March. There is a self-identify poster available with a QR Code if you wish to maintain your privacy.

Marcelo Lazaro – The IMP at CFB Comox is still having problems with negotiations and that a meeting with the local MP was held to try and get negotiations moving. He mentioned that he is on a JLP course, and it is unfortunate that the attendees are all white males. He is trying to urge both sides to get more inclusive in training.

Warren Wulff – DFO is not following policy regarding the availability and proper disposal of menstrual products

Susan Young – Indicated she was now a Positive Space Trainer

Monica Racz – The VIRWC was having a Barbie Movie Event on the 8th of March

Bob Cosman – DCL 20500 is going to have a significant audit done of their finances by National Office and that an AGM won't be held until that is complete.

James Little – Urged members to keep checking the BCPSAC website for training and the next big training event was an OH+S 2-day session in April

Next Meeting: 19 March 2024 at 6:00pm

Motion to Adjourn by Danielle Dardengo and seconded by Marcelo Lazaro and the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm

James Little swore in Monica Racz after the meeting was adjourned.