

**Southern Interior Regional Women's Committee Meeting**

**Date: Apr 8, 2025**

**Time: 6:00 PM PDT**

**Location: Video Conference**

**Quorum met**

**ATTENDEES (LOCAL):**

**Executive:**

Ashley-Rae Snape (UTE 20026) Co-chair  
Carmen Theissen (CEIU 20914) Co-chair  
Sarah MacIntosh (UTE 20026) Treasurer  
Tamara Breitzkreitz (CEIU 20914) Secretary

**Members:**

Nadia Sokal (AGR 20043)  
Kelly Megyesi  
Jeanne Olineck (CEIU 20914)

**Guest:**

Karen Sutton (CIU 20045)  
Priscilla Lam - Regional Women's Coordinator

**Regards:**

April Roberts (AGR 20043)

**PSAC Staff:**

Crystal Isaac (PSAC staff)  
Hetty Alcuity (Vancouver Regional Office)

***Call to Order:***

- Carmen called the meeting to order at 6:01pm PDT

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

- Ashley-Rae provided a meaningful land acknowledgement.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

***Motion:*** Ashley-Rae Snape

***Second:*** Sarah MacIntosh

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

***Motion:*** Ashley-Rae Snape

***Second:*** Sarah MacIntosh

**Outcome:** passed unanimously

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Current bank fund is \$1976.73.
- \$350 cheque received for International Women's Day event
- \$150 + \$1.25 fee spent on food for International Women's Day event
- \$600 + \$1.25 fee to entertainment for International Women's Day event
- \$144.59 + \$1.25 fee for Women's Conference baskets

**Motion to adopt report:** Sarah MacIntosh

**Second:** Kelly Megyesi

- Karen requested for a ledger of transactions to be provided prior to meetings so that meeting attendees have access to a visual of the report.

**Outcome:** passed unanimously

#### **OLD BUSINESS AND PAST ACTION ITEMS**

##### **FUNDING FOR KELLY MEGYESI**

- Ashley-Rae presented a new motion for Kelly's funding that ensured the monies were not for wages already paid.

**Motion to cover \$250 to Kelly in expenses not already reimbursed to Kelly Megyesi's attendance at the 2025 CLC Pacific Regional Winter School:** Ashley-Rae

**Second:** Sarah

- Motion was discussed amongst members and meeting attendees.

**Outcome:** Votes: 3 to 1 not in favor - motion not carried

##### **SUB-COMMITTEE: RESOLUTIONS**

- Nadia provided a "recap" of the sub-committee's first meeting
- Next sub-committee meeting will take place on **Tuesday, Apr 15, 2025 at 7:00 PM.**
- Jamey Mills is scheduled to attend and will provide guidance on rewording previously submitted resolutions.
- The committee also plans to present and discuss three new resolution ideas during that meeting.

## **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

### ACTIVISM IN THE ARTS

- Ashley-Rae shared that the deposit for the entertainment, Shane Koyczan is due in the amount of \$3500
- Asking for funding from this women's committee, as well as from the Human Rights committee
- Ashley indicated that Area Council has already paid \$982 towards venue.

***Motion to SIRCW to contribute \$750 Shane Koyczan for Activism in the Arts event:*** Ashley-Rae

***Second:*** Nadia

- Karen commend Ashley for coming up with this and taking initiative and other members who are involved, and is looking forward to the awareness that the event will bring to the committees supporting it.

***Outcome:*** passed unanimously

- Discussion occurred regarding transportation arrangements for the event. It was agreed that each local area will be responsible for managing its own transportation requirements.

### WINTER EVENTS

- Discussion occurred regarding options for Winter events; suggestions were presented and are not limited to:
  - o An event for Dec 6 – National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
  - o Support for women's shelters
  - o Support for a pyjama drive
  - o Compilation of baskets for shelters
  - o Support for events / celebrations in other cultures aside from Christmas that also occur in the winter months
  - o Jacket drive in early winter, prior to December

## **ROUNDTABLE**

- Kelly noted the committee's past involvement in events supporting the October 4th – Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women initiative and suggested reviewing previous meeting minutes for additional event ideas.
- Ashley-Rae shared that the REVP's office is considering providing additional support to the Southern Interior through the Social Justice Fund.

- Priscilla reported on the successful Regional Women's Conference held over the previous weekend and commended Carmen for her contributions as part of the planning committee. She also noted an upcoming meeting for regional co-chairs, which will focus on improving resolution writing and exploring the potential for a regional strategy on resolutions.
- Crystal informed the committee that her contract concludes this week. Members expressed their gratitude and appreciation for her contributions over the past several months.
- Hetty shared information regarding the upcoming BC Federation of Labour Conference in May, which is open to all PSAC members, with particular encouragement for members from the Southern Interior to attend. She noted that funding support is available through the REVP's office.

**ADJOURNMENT:** (7:24pm PDT)

***Motion to adjourn:*** Ashley-Rae

***Seconded:*** Tamara

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm PDT