

**Mainland Human Rights Committee  
General Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**In Attendance:**

Priscilla Lam	UTE 20050 (Co-Chair) - Chaired the meeting
Colin Cheng	CIU 20040 (Co-Chair)
Julie Kelly	CIU 20045 (Secretary)
Kirsty Havard	(Alternate REVP PSACBC) USJE 20091
Krista Tebutt	PSAC BC Access (Persons with Disabilities) Coordinator
Alan Otrosina	Indigenous Peoples Coordinator - USJE 20141
Laura Wildly	PSAC BC East Fraser Valley Coordinator
Jennifer Horsley	UPCE 20095
Shaniya Clayton	UNDE 21008
Raphael Simard	CEIU 20944
Nielene Chand	Staff - PSAC BC Regional Rep

**Guest:**

Jamey Mills                      REVP - BC

**Apologies:**

Susanne Dier                      CEIU 20903 (Treasurer) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Alt Access Coordinator  
Celine Ahodekon                      PSAC BC Racially Visible Coordinator

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm by Priscilla.

**Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territories**

Priscilla provided the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement.

Introductions conducted

**Agenda:**

- Call To Order
- Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory
- Introductions
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Previous Minutes (11 September 2025 & 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025)
- Finance Report
- Election of Secretary
- Pride Events Update
- Joint Event updates
- Regional PSAC BC Convention Baskets
- New Business / Events for the year

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- PSAC Staff Advisor update
- Roundtable
- Adjournment

**Approval of the agenda:**

**(M/S/C) Raphael /Jen /Carried**

**Approval of the previous minutes:**

**11<sup>th</sup> September 2025 (M/S/C) Colin/ Alan/Carried**

**27<sup>th</sup> November 2025 (M/S/C) Alan/Colin/Carried**

**Finance Report:**

Financial report of presented on behalf of Susanne by Colin and discussed.

**(M/S/C) Colin/Jen /Carried**

**Election of Secretary:**

Jamey ran the election for Secretary

**Secretary Position: Julie Kelly – Confirmed Nomination**

Nominate by: Raphael

Seconded by: Colin

**Julie Kelly acclaimed as Secretary for the MHRC – Oath of Office completed**

**Pride Events Updates**

Jamey stated that for Pride events the Regional Office can help with sponsorship, contact the RO Office.

Fraser Valley Pride, Heritage Park, Mission, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July 12-5pm

**(M/S/C) Julie/Colin/Carried for up to \$100.**

Chilliwack Pride – 23<sup>rd</sup> August

**(M/S/C) Julie/Alan/Carried for up to \$200.**

Damir – Will be doing New West Pride again, the RO will cover sponsorship for this event, we attended last year.

Surrey Pride – Damir will take the lead on this event and approach the WFVAC to see if they want to partner.

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Squamish Pride - A discussion took place regarding attending this march. According to unionware there are 50 members in Squamish. Damir to talk to the VAC to see if they want to co-host the event.

**(M/S/C) Damir/Alan/Carried Up to \$125 towards this event.**

Priscilla will attend this event and drive so people can attend. Kirsty will also attend and drive.

A concern was raised regarding the amount of Pride events and money being used as there are other equity groups represented by this committee. Damir stated that the 2SLGBTQIA+ community is under attack and that it is critical that we show our support and stand up for this group.

Krista - Will be organising an event regarding Gabor Mate work on trauma, details are being worked out.

### **Joint Events**

The EFVAC are again hosting Pumpkinfest on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October at Aldor Acres, Langley. The MHRC co-hosted this event last year, but the funds were not needed towards the cost. Julie motioned for \$1100 towards this event. The cost is approx. \$4,000 and will be open to 150 people.

**(M/S/C) Julie/Alan/Carried for up to \$1100.**

The EFVAC has applied to attend the Indigenous event in Chilliwack, will pass on details when they are available. No funds required at this time.

Priscilla suggested another movie night, perhaps in the West Fraser valley area. Raphael to look into a berry picking event, Colin to research a bowling event

### **BC CONVENTION BASKET**

It is not known if the request for basket for the convention raffle is still open.

**(M/S/C) Raphael/Krista/Carried for up to \$100 for a basket.**

### **PSAC Staff Advisor update:**

Nielene gave an update on events:-

National Young Workers Conference - 7-9 November in Ottawa.

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[Registration open for 2026 PSAC National Young Workers Conference | Public Service Alliance of Canada](#)

Young Workers Caucus (BC) Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at Hiel Café in Burnaby

[PSAC BC Young Workers Caucus - PSAC British Columbia](#)

Webinar: Why School Board Elections Matter - 30<sup>th</sup> April

[Webinar: Why School Board Elections Matter - PSAC British Columbia](#)

BRUSH Meeting Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

[BRUSH \(Health & Safety\) Committee meeting - PSAC British Columbia](#)

Spring Education is coming to a close and soon there will be emails sent asking for fall education suggestions. It will include new 1 day course "Why Tyranny, Fascism and Authoritarianism are Union Issues".

There is a job opportunity for the Regional Representative - Health and Safety.



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## **Roundtable**

Kirsty - Looking forward to Squamish Pride and the Gabor Mate event.

Jamey awarded Colin the Emerging Activist Award - Congratulations!

**(M/S/C) Colin/Jen/Carried payment of \$213.38 to Priscilla for the dinner**

## **Next meeting 6pm Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm **(M/S/C) Kirsty/Laura/Carried**