

NWAC Meeting Minutes

Date: June 11, 2026

Time: 6:33 PM – 7:35 PM

Chair: David Lewis

Total in attendance: 7 (quorum achieved)

Component locals represented:

- *CIU 20042 (3 members)
- AGR 20042 (2 members)
- UCTE 20213 (1 member)
- UCTE 20232 (1 member)

Guests: Trish Martin, PSAC B.C. Alternate REVP (UTE 20027); Shawn Creamer, TC Bargaining Team Member (UNDE 21016); PSAC Staff Advisor: Alex (Vital) Stuit

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Barney

Seconded: Craig Balderson

Carried: All in favour.

4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The previous meeting minutes were approved.

Moved Craig

Seconded: Mohammed (Moe) Hanif

5. Reports

Alex's Update

- Education and training opportunities scheduled for September.
- Indigenous Course to be held in Prince Rupert.
- Virtual 1.5-hour WFA sessions:
 - September 16 (6:00–7:30 PM)
 - October 20 (6:00–7:30 PM)
 - Requested a 3-day BC Region virtual TUB course.
 - Additional virtual session scheduled for November 23 (6:00–7:30 PM).

Updates provided on Pride events.

PSAC Scholarship information shared.

6. Bargaining Update – Shawn Creamer

Shawn Creamer joined the meeting at 6:46 PM.

Shawn provided an update on bargaining:

- Treasury Board continues to reject union proposals, with little movement at the bargaining table.
- Negotiators indicated they have limited authority to make decisions.
- Bargaining has been ongoing for over one year.
- Remote work and wages remain top priorities.
- Members discussed the return-to-office requirements and accommodation issues.
- Treasury Board has reportedly spent approximately \$117 million on executive bonuses while employees received only a 1% wage increase.

Discussion

Trish Martin asked about executive bonuses.

- Shawn advised executive bonuses exceed \$160 million and stated performance targets are not required to receive bonuses.

Barney noted negotiators have received little direction from Treasury Board.

June 17 was recognized as Wear Black Day in support of bargaining.

Alex reminded members of the National Day of Solidarity and advised shirts and stickers had been distributed.

Shawn departed the meeting at 6:58 PM.

7. Elections

Trish Martin was elected Alternate Vice-President.

Dave Lewis was confirmed as Area Coordinator.

Members now have voting privileges rather than observer status.

8. Financial Report

Dave Lewis presented the financial report. Moe Hanif assumed the chair during this agenda item.

Highlights:

- A bank account has been established since the last AGM.
- Jill and Jen have been removed as signing authorities.
- Moe Hanif and Andre have been added as signing authorities.
- Opening Balance: \$2,899.15
- Closing Balance: \$1,508.13
- Outstanding expenses owed to Dave have been reimbursed.
- Total expenditures: \$1,390.12
- The local has transitioned from cheques to e-Transfers to reduce costs.

There were no questions.

Motion to accept the financial report: Barney

Carried: All in favour.

The chair was returned to Dave Lewis.

9. Bargaining Discussion

Trish Martin encouraged increased member mobilization across all bargaining units.

Approximately \$146 million continues to be spent on executive bonuses.

Greater member participation strengthens bargaining efforts.

Members should ensure they remain reachable for union communications.

Current employer offer remains less than 1% annually.

Ed Trowell asked why bargaining had moved from three-year to four-year agreements.

- Barney explained the last agreement was signed for three years to return to the normal four-year bargaining cycle.

Trish Martin departed the meeting at 7:18 PM.

10. Old Business

None.

11. New Business

Community BBQ

- Two possible locations were discussed:
 - Base
 - Longshore Hall
- Ed suggested members wear black at the BBQ.
- Jamie offered a \$500 contribution toward the event.
- Barney moved that the local match Jamie's \$500 contribution.
 - Seconded: Ed Trowell
 - Carried.
- Total approved budget: \$1,000 for the community BBQ.

Site Visits

- Efforts continue to reinstate visits to Haida Gwaii.

SeaFest

- SeaFest will take place June 12–14.
- A booth will be set up downtown on 3rd Avenue on Saturday with activities for children.

Future Meetings

- Future meetings will be held in the Crest Room.
- An agreement has been reached with the Longshore Hall to use their meeting room.
- Alex requested that dietary restrictions be included on meeting registration forms.

PSAC Convention

- The PSAC Convention will be held May 29 – June 3, 2027, in Halifax.

PSAC Committees

- Discussion on filling committee vacancies and continuing community engagement efforts.

12. Round Table

No discussion.

13. Other Information

- The education schedule will be available by July 10.

14. Adjournment

Dave Lewis called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Barney

Seconded: Ed Trowell

Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.