

PSAC BC West Fraser Valley Area Council Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 20, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

Hybrid (In-person at Ricky's Cloverdale and via Zoom)

Present:

In Person:

Mike Reeves, President (USJE 20086)

Zita Lambert, Vice-President (UTE 20007)

Nerissa Hermosura, Secretary (UTE 20029)

Susie Blyth (Retired CEIU)

Kim Reeves (UTE 20029)

Daniel Holmbert (USJE 20011)

Alicia Holmbert (USJE 20011)

Dina Elias (CEIU 20910)

Alex (Vita) Stuit, PSAC BC Regional Representative for the East Fraser Valley/Metro Vancouver Area

Virtual:

Julie Kelley (EFVAC and MHRC)

Jamey Mills, REVP, PSAC BC

Regrets:

Monique Bakker, Treasurer (UHEW 20147)

Agenda:

1. Call to Order: Mike Reeves called meeting to order at 6:01pm followed by land acknowledgement.
2. Adoption of Agenda: M/S Zita/Nerissa and carried
3. Adoption of November 2025 meeting minutes: M/S Nerissa/Daniel and carried.
4. Treasurer and Financial Report (Monique was away due to sickness but sent her report on May 14, 2026)
 - i. Monique provided report on spending and deposit from April 1 to April 30, 2026. Please note that there was no account activity in March 2026.

Daily banking account summary:

- opening balance: \$617.01

- expenses: \$197.40

- PSAC allocation (deposit): \$2,000.00
- closing balance: \$2,419.61

Shares:

- opening balance: \$112.99
- dividend (deposit): 4.00
- closing balance: \$116.99

5. Political Action / Events

- Surrey Fusion Festival in July 2026: not participating this year
- Cloverdale Canada Day, July 1, 2026: will participate
- Labour Day on September 1, 2026: being considered
- Pumpkin Festival in October 2026: will make monetary donation

Jamie:

- thanked everyone for meeting participation;
- mentioned that the best way to avoid strike is to prepare for one;
- bargaining team is still in Ottawa negotiating for UTE contract;
- May 29 is the anticipated date for the board to decide on impasse;
- advised he is open and available to members to discuss things by email or phone call.

Daniel:

- talked about training on building solidarity with indigenous by PSIC.

Julie:

- talked about Pumpkin Fest in Langley, BC on Oct 18, 2026 for 150 people (1 PSAC member and 1 family member);
- Susie is available to help organizing the event;
- WFVC will consider donating and Mike to email Julie about the amount;
- cost of entry is \$19 per additional person; and
- children 2 years and below are free.

6. Education

Alex Stuit provided:

- a Lobby Kit message for remote work that talked about how the new in-office mandate disrespecting the bargaining process.
- a PSAC BC newsletter (briefing) with the different important events for PSAC components – young workers are encouraged to apply by May 29, 2026 for the PSAC National Young Workers Conference in Ottawa on November 7-9, 2026.
- upcoming learning and engagement opportunities:
 - Grievance Handling (June 5-7, 2026)
 - Introduction to PSAC for Indigenous Members (June 12-14, 2026)

- CLC Municipal election training (April - June 2026) – why do school board elections matter?
- PSAC BC Regional Triennial Convention (May 22-24, 2026)
- Other union education courses available on CLC Pacific Region school

Note: PSAC website provides calendar of events.

7. Roundtable

- * Alex thanked everyone in attendance.
- * Susie advised that there would be a march in Langley by Douglas Park
- * Julie mentioned a Red Dress event in Mill Lake Park, Abbotsford

Red Dress Day: In Canada, May 5 is officially recognized as Red Dress Day, a national day of awareness and remembrance for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People (MMIWG2S) Amnesty International Canada. It involves wearing red and participating in community events to call for action and justice.

8. Proposed next meeting date:

Monday, August 10, 2026 (Hybrid)

9. Adjournment

6:56pm adjourned