Fraser valley Area Council 2013.10.23 2570 Cyril Street Abbotsford, BC

Meeting called to order 16:35

In attendance:

President Melvin Dureen USGE 20054 Vice - President Antony Paller Agriculture 20044 Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Burton USGE 20015

Susan Wilmshurst USGE 20091 Deanne Davies USGE 20091 Kim Kirby USGE 20091 Jayne Johns USGE 2B086

Karen Sutton USGE 20091 Tina Evans USGE 20091 Ken Easton USGE 2B086 Bob Jackson REVP PSACBC

 Additions to agenda - Report from REVP Bob Jackson Motion to accept changes to agenda- Melvin Dureen Seconded - Nancy Burton

Carried

 Previous minutes from 2013.06.13 read Motion to accept as read - Melvin Dureen Seconded - Ken Easton

Carried

- Financial Report Nancy Burton
 Bank balance as of September 30, 2013 \$1348.74
- 4. REVP Report Bob Jackson
 - -since the launch of the "We Are All Affected" Campaign has been a bit of a struggle for locals to work on a plan to have members sign pledge cards and have a "one on one" conversation with each member, the campaign began in April 2013 with real good intensions however conflicting priorities such as Regional Women's Committee Convention, PSAC Union School, organizing the upcoming National Equities Convention has taken away the Union Reps and they haven't had the time to work on the campaign.
 - -at the NBOD (National Board of Directors) there was discussion about the WAA Campaign and where we are all at with it, need to renew our commitment to getting work done: re the "One on One" conversations with members.
 - -the PSAC released a video on Veterans Affairs and the closures of Veteran Affairs offices.
 - -Canadian Labour Congress has been a part of the WAA campaign

-Bill 377, with all of changes, corrections and recommendations the bill ended up going back to the Senate in its original version to be passed, this will affect the Canada Labour Code.

-2014 PSAC BC Regional Convention, BC is the first to hold their convention, last weekend of April, here we set the course of business or the next 3 years, elect Regional Council, this leads up to the 2015 PSAC National Triennial Convention.

-PSAC is urging it members not to shop IKEA as they are under a labour action at the Richmond store, unionized the workers are currently are locked out.

-PSAC Bargaining Conference February 13, 14, 15 & 16, 2014

5. Presidents Report - Melvin Dureen

-FVAC participated in the Labour Day Picnic, approx. 700 - 800 people in attendance; CSC has named Wendy Mitchell as the United Way representative on loan to United Way for 4 months.

-Antony Paller-Vice President to be given signing authority on FVAC bank account along with Melvin Dureen-President and Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Burton

-working on getting our paperwork caught up and in to Regional office

-Melvin Dureen, Bob Jackson, Jayne Johns and Antony Paller attended the FVLC Spaghetti dinner fundraiser for United Way last month; the amount raised for United Way exceeded \$2000.00

-2 doctors gave presentation on suicide in younger people, the average for the Province is 6%, Fraser Valley has 11% of the suicides are from younger people.

6. Education -

-UDP (Union Development Program) deadline to apply has been extended to November 5, 2013

-Representing Members with Mental Illness - November 2, 2013

-Facing Management Course - November 3, 2013

-Duty To Accommodate course -December 7, 2013

PSAC Regional Convention 2014- election of delegate and alternate delegate. Election ran by REVP Bob Jackson

-first call for nominations for FVAC delegate to PSAC Regional Convention
-Nancy Burton nominated by Susan Wilmshurst, seconded by Antony
Paller

-second call for nominations - none

-third call for nominations - none

-nominations closed for delegate to PSAC BC Regional Convention 2014.

Nancy Burton accepted nomination, declared delegate for convention

-first call for nominations for FVAC alternate delegate to PSAC Regional Convention

-Susan Wilmshurst nominated by Nancy Burton, seconded by Tina **Evans**

- -second call for nominations none
- -third call for nominations none
- -nominations closed for alternate delegate to PSAC BC Regional Convention 2014.

-Susan Wilmshurst accepted nomination, declared alternate delegate for convention.

- 8. FVAC dates for meetings in 2014:
 - -January, April, June and November second Thursday of the month at 16:30, venue TBA
 - -Executive elections for positions of: 2 Vice- Presidents and Secretary
- 9. Roundtable
 - -Antony Paller

CFIA will be back at the table for bargaining first week of December. -Jayne Johns

Childcare is one of the topics for the National Equities Convention a recommit to push for National Childcare plan.

CKNW is running a webpage campaign for Veterans

-Bob Jackson

Call out for resolutions for convention will come out end of next week with a January deadline.

-Melvin Dureen

Looking at different location perhaps Chilliwack for FVAC meetings.

- Next Meeting January 9, 2014 16:30, location TBA. 10.
- 11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn - Nancy Burton Seconded - Susan Wilmshurst

Carried

Meeting adjourned 18:10

President - Melvin Dureen

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