

REGIONAL WOMEN'S COMMITTEE MINUTES

Vancouver PSAC OFFICE

November 23, 2012 (working lunch)

ATTENDEES: Kelly Megyesi, Patt Holmes, Virginia Vaillancourt, Jennifer Chieh Ho, Roberta Gourlie

REGRETS: Parveen Deepak

Minute Taker: Roberta Gourlie

- 1) Christmas cards from Patt given to Women's Chairs. Thank you Mrs. Claus ☺
- 2) Jennifer, although not the chair of her local committee, offered to sit in on Cheryl's behalf.
- 3) Dec 6
 - a) National Christmas Tree Lighting same day as National Day of Remembrance of Violence Against Women.
ACTION – Kelly to forward objection letters to Virginia
 - b) Postcards – Virginia reported that our fellow sister Keira made some up last year for Dec 6. Virginia followed up with Keira who was unable to find the PDF file due to CPU problems. There are other postcards available through the Coalition for Gun Control. The Coalition is suggesting a donation of \$25.00 for 100 cards. These can be ordered through their website and have them delivered directly to your address.
 - c) Decision from National to NOT provide materials.
- 4) Kelly meeting with Luc, Janelle, and Bob tonight re: increased support for Women's
- 5) Discussion re: WFA and effects on women.
- 6) Kelly presented beautifully wrapped gifts ("*A Season of Non-Violence*" book and button) to each Women's Chair as recognition of work they do in their regions. Thank you Kelly ☺
- 7) Women's Conference 2013
 - a) Staff looking at Sheraton Airport in Richmond. Not desirable.
 - b) Possible desired locations – Victoria, New Westminster Quay, Downtown Vcr, Bby for after-hours interaction, activities.
 - c) No theme designated by National...messaging will follow resolutions. ie *Aboriginal Women*.
 - d) Dates – as previously discussed...April/May (Earlier rather than later)? Desired days - Thurs p.m/Friday/Saturday a.m?
 - e) Costs? Possible contributions (non-monetary) from Women's Committees?

- f) Planning committee members
 - North – Yes
 - Victoria – Yes, need dates
 - Vancouver – ?
 - Okanagan – ?

Meeting adjourned.