

**Minutes of the Regional Council Meeting
September 17 & 18, 2005**

Present:	Patty, Joanna, Bob, Sam, Megan, Angela, Kay, Jayne, Denis, Sheila May, Benilde, Debbie, Pat, Cindy, Gail, Craig, Sargy, Floyd, Parveen, Steve, Joy, Sharon, Nick, Jamey, Marie & Guest: Ron Stipp, CLC
Excused:	
Absent:	

Agenda Item	Proceedings	Action
Agenda	The e-tutorial has been postponed and replaced with "RC members' job descriptions, action plans". An update from Component Conventions will be held Sunday. Steve will incorporate his communication issue within his report.	
	Moved (Craig) Seconded (Sheila May) that the agenda be adopted as amended.	
	Carried.	
Minutes	Moved (Nick) Seconded (Gail) that the minutes of April 7, 2005 be adopted.	
	Carried.	
Items Arising	Patty reported that the Political Action funds were secured and donated to the Count Me In campaign.	
Minutes	Moved (Pat) Seconded (Sharon) that the minutes of April 9, 2005 be adopted.	
	Carried	
Minutes	Moved (Sharon) seconded (Jayne) that the minutes of April 11, 2005 be adopted.	
	Carried.	
Items Arising	It was agreed that the resolutions that had not been dealt with at the Regional Convention be deferred until the next meeting.	
RC Committees	Moved (Steve) Seconded (Megan) that the committees be adopted as circulated (copy attached).	
	Carried.	

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Finances	Moved (Megan) Seconded (Nick) Accept the Financial Update. (Copy attached).	donations line item is \$705.
	Carried.	
Finances	Moved (Megan) Seconded (Kay) to adopt the report on the Proposed 2006 Budget for the BC Regional Council.	
	Discussion on the motion: Items for next RC meeting, the need for a meeting of Convention Delegates to coincide with that meeting. Tentative dates: March 31, April 1, 2 & 3, 2006.	Marie to check hotels for meeting location.
	Motion Carried.	
Action Plans	All Members reported back on their priorities and action plans.	
	Moved (Steve) Seconded (Sam) to accept the reports of the RC Members.	
	Carried.	
PSMA	Joanna provided RC Members with an overview of the PSAC training efforts respecting the PSM Act. She explained the objective of promoting availability of training and the delivery thereof, throughout BC. Members discussed at length the concerns relating to the devolution of authority, which the Act contemplates and our union's efforts to make Local Union officers and members aware of the Act's implications.	
Regional Convention Update 08	Patty reported that The Coast Plaza at Stanley Park had been booked for the Convention and that we were fortunate to be able to lock in the room rates that we received in 2005.	
Donations Committee Report	Moved (Floyd) Seconded (Sheila May) that the RC donate \$50 each to Rape Relief and Van. Women's Health Collective and that the remaining \$605 be used for year-end food initiatives sponsored by the BC Fed and District Labour Councils.	
	Carried.	

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Regional Coords. Budgets	Patty gave a brief reminder of how budgets are accessed, their appropriate usage and alternate financing. Items for discussion included a leaflet about Regional Council Members & their duties, the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, Women's issues and a piece on the Regional Council in Area Council newsletters.	
Comp. Convention Highlights	Regional Council members gave presentations respecting the highlights of their Component Conventions and plans for their portfolios (note: continued following presentation on municipal elections.	
Municipal Elections	Ron Stipp, CLC Representative from Pacific Reg. Office gave a presentation on the following: the importance of the Municipal Campaign, the CLC and LC involvement in municipal elections, endorsing & assisting candidates, working with local elected representatives and getting involved with your Labour Council.	Renew efforts to facilitate Local's affiliation to Labour Councils.
Members Action Plans	Regional Council Members broke into smaller groups to work on their Action Plans. They were challenged to review the job description contained within the Council By-Laws and take into consideration the elements of the "strategic plan" work they had done during RC & Staff training when creating an Action Plan that would work in their area. Members will report back when Council reconvenes with their plans.	All RC Members to receive training notes.

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Upcoming Events	Items noted and discussed were: 2006 National Convention & BC Caucus at same,, pre-convention strategy meeting & BC hospitality room at convention. BC Fed of Labour Convention, resolution deadlines, & a PSAC Delegate meeting upon adjournment Monday at BC Fed, UDP on April 6/06. REVP office to distribute unused BC Fed credentials.	
Resolved:	Moved (Steve) Seconded (Sam) to endorse the book tour of PSAC member, Doug Janoff, who has written the book, "Pink Blood".	
	Carried.	
	Moved (Sam) Seconded (Steve) to endorse the Vancouver World Peace Forum and that Patty Ducharme be instructed by the RC to seek endorsement and National PSAC organizational support.	
	Carried.	
Priorities	Priorities for 2006: Federal Election, (CMI) National Convention Service Canada Out Workers Conference	
Adjourn	Moved (Sam) Seconded (Debbie to adjourn.	
	Carried.	