

**PSAC - Okanagan Area Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting – January 27, 2007**  
**The Library, Mickie's Pub, Kelowna**

**In Attendance:**

Susan Yaciw	UTE 20003	Maria-Luiza Romano	AGR 20027
Kareen Stanich	AGR 20043	Ruth Eisworth	UTE 20026
Darrell-Lee McKenzie	AGR 20043	Joy Harrison	Retired
Kelly Megyesi	CEIU 20915		
Roberta Gourlie	CEIU 20915		

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The meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. with Susan Yaciw in the chair.

**Minutes:** Minutes from September 30, 2006 were accepted. m/s/c

**Treasurer's Report:** The report was presented (see attached). m/s/c

Dues for 2007 (\$1 per Local member located in the Okanagan) are now due and can be sent to:

Darrell-Lee McKenzie  
15-799 Creekside  
Penticton, BC V2A 1C5

**Action: D-L. McKenzie to check the bylaws regarding the need for audited reports.**

**Update from Regional Council Okanagan / Kootenay:** Susan Yaciw attended the last council meeting October 27-29, 2006. See attached reports: Report from Okanagan / Kootenay Region to Regional Council and Report of Activities at Regional Council meeting.

**Education:** There has been a request from CFIA (Oliver) for basic courses such as TUB, Grievance Handling, and Facing Management. Several locals expressed interest in Duty to Accommodate, Advanced Stewards Training, and having another Women at Work Course (Part III?). The Advanced Stewards Training is being held in Vancouver in June (see <http://www.psacbc.com/education/> for further information and to apply).

**Action: S. Yaciw to forward training request to Regina Brennan.**

**MP Lobbying:** S Yaciw reported that she had met with Ron Cannan, MP for Kelowna – Lake Country and R. Eisworth reported that the President of UTE Local 20026 had met with Stockwell Day, MP for Okanagan – Coquihalla. Discussions centred on the closing of client service counters at Canada Revenue Agency.

**Bargaining:** The Western Regional Bargaining Conference was held December 2-3, 2006. K. Stanich attended as the Women's Committee Table 3 delegate for BC, and D-L McKenzie attended as an Agriculture Component delegate for Table 3. D-L. McKenzie was elected to attend the National Bargaining Conference

**Political Action:**

Bill C-257: Visit [http://canadianlabour.ca/index.php/antiscab legislation](http://canadianlabour.ca/index.php/antiscab_legislation) for

information on Anti-Scab Legislation.

Women's Equality: Visit <http://www.psac.com/issues/womenequality/20061206e-e.shtml> to see what you can do for a renewed Status of Women Canada.

Oppose privatization of Health Care: Visit the BC Health Coalition site at <http://www.bchealthcoalition.ca/>

**Area Council Training and Strategic Planning:** A session is being held in Vancouver February 20-22<sup>nd</sup> and the attendance of 2 to 3 representatives from Okanagan Kootenay Area Council is requested.

**Action: K. Megyesi to contact Dawn Zander to see if she would be willing to attend.**

**Action: S. Yaciw to forward the names of Ruth Eisworth and Joy Harrison to Kay Sinclair and ask if it is possible to add a 3<sup>rd</sup> name at a later date.**

**Elections:**

President - Susan Yaciw m/s/c

Vice President – Jennifer Leenhouts

Secretary - Kareen Stanich m/s/c

Treasurer - Darrell-Lee McKenzie m/s/c

**Adjourned at 1:20 p.m.**

**Next Meeting**

**Friday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007 5:30 p.m.**

**The Library at Mickie's Pub, Ramada, Kelowna**