

**Prairie Region Council Meeting**  
**May 9, 2019 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Conference Call Minutes**

Attended: Sandra Ahenakew, Satinder Bains, Shannon Blum, Alec Goertzen, Sheilagh Hanson, Glenn Hollyoake, Tim Hubick, Valerie Illingworth, Evelyn Jackson, Frank Janz, Glen Johnston, Deb Kosteniuk, Michelle Lang, Christopher Little-Gagne, Gus Mardli, Wanda Quennell, Dragana Ristivojevic, Krysty Thomas, Marianne Hladun  
Regrets: Neha Channan, Stasi L'Hirondelle, Kristy Slattery, Michael Weisgerber, Pennie Young  
Staff: Thomas Linner, Alison Davis

Sr. Hladun advises that the agenda sent out will be used for this call and the face-to-face meeting. Anything not dealt with on the call will be dealt with at the meeting in two weeks. This meeting will remain open until the end of the face-to-face meeting.

**AGENDA:**

Orders of the Day

Friday, May 24, 2019 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. – 1919 Strike bus tour

Saturday, May 25, 2019 11:00 a.m. – Solidarity Parade & Community Concert

Sunday, May 26, 2019 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. – Chris Aylward, PSAC National President & Magali Picard, PSAC National Executive Vice President

May 9, 2019 &  
May 24 - 26, 2019:

1. Call to Order at 6:31 p.m. May 9, 2019.
2. Adoption of Agenda with the additions of agenda item (u) Vacant PRC positions submitted by Alec Goertzen and agenda item (v) Prairies Convention submitted by Marianne Hladun.
3. Hours of Session
4. Opening Remarks - Marianne Hladun  
Will be given at face-to-face meeting.
5. Approval of Council Reports  
Will be dealt with at face-to-face meeting.
6. Committee Reports and Business:  
All committee business to be dealt with at face-to-face meeting.

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- By-Laws Committee
- Communications Committee
- Education Committee
- Finance Committee  
Quarter 1 Financial Statement

Health & Safety Committee

7. Agenda Items:

(a) 2019 Women's Conference in Regina – submitted by Evelyn Jackson

Was unaware that the conference had been scheduled until she saw it in the calendar of events. Sr. Hladun advises that the conference happens once per three-year cycle and is scheduled for September in Regina. The application will be going out by the end of May and selection will be done by the end of June. The Steering Committee will be Sr. Kosteniuk with one member from each RWC. Sr. Kosteniuk advises that the Steering Committee has met once and will be meeting again soon.

(b) Resolution #1 (see attached sheet) – submitted by Evelyn Jackson

Sr. Hladun refers to the Finance Committee to bring back to the face-to-face meeting.

(c) Resolution #2 (see attached sheet) – submitted by Evelyn Jackson

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(d) Discussions about the addition of the Financial Package instructions as its own Regulation to the PRC By-laws – submitted by Evelyn Jackson

Referred back to Sr. Jackson for re-wording and then would go to the Finance and Bylaws Committees.

(e) Recommendation to the PRC that a request be made of the Regional Offices that a confirmation that the packages have been sent to the REVP office to the submitting PRC Rep – submitted by Evelyn Jackson

(f) The Financial Package - originals vs copies? where are they to be kept? bank statements? – submitted by Evelyn Jackson

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Sr. Jackson would like to hold this item until the face-to-face meeting.

- (g) Who is responsible for our newsletter – submitted by Deb Kosteniuk

Removed from the agenda at Sr. Kosteniuk's request.

- (h) Bylaw Committee review of Committee Bylaws and/or Terms of Reference project. Could we get an update on where they are at with it? – submitted by Deb Kosteniuk

To be dealt with at the face-to-face meeting.

- (i) Suggestions for items that should be covered in Committee Bylaws/Terms of References, such as resignation of position on Executive. i.e. written notice to Chair with cc to regional rep – submitted by Deb Kosteniuk

To be dealt with at the face-to-face meeting.

- (j) How are Committee bank statements provided to Committees throughout the Region? Who are they provided to? Would like to see a Prairie Region wide practice implemented (i.e. scanned bank statement provided by email to Chair and Treasurer and original put with committee records) – submitted by Deb Kosteniuk

To be dealt with at the face-to-face meeting with agenda item (f).

- (k) LOS vs Political Action – submitted by Alec Goertzen

Br. Goertzen is having difficulty with his claim for the sit in on March 27<sup>th</sup> as it was leave for political action. Would like to know what needs to be submitted for political action loss of salary. Sr. Hladun advises that there is no clause in collective agreements to cover union leave for political action as there is no general union leave clause to use. She has brought this up at the national level and will have an answer for the face-to-face meeting. Sr. Hladun and Sr. Davis will contact Finance to look specifically into this LOS claim.

- (l) RO staffing – submitted by Alec Goertzen

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- (m) RO and committee work campaign – submitted by Alec Goertzen

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There was an issue during the Alberta provincial election with the flyer and letter that was being sent out to the members. Plans were in place for members to come in to do the envelope stuffing but the RO made arrangements for the printing company to do all the stuffing. Sr. Hladun advises that there was new staff in the RO who had not done a mailout before and it created some confusion. It would be appropriate to have a discussion at the face-to-face meeting with Sr. Garnier to make sure we have clear communication as to who is doing what going forward.

- (n) Convention seats for Committee's - National President's email March 17 – submitted by Alec Goertzen

To be dealt with at the face-to-face meeting.

- (o) REVP schedule/availability – submitted by Alec Goertzen

Sr. Hladun advises that her office will do better at communicating when she will be in an area. Requests regarding availability for meetings etc. should be sent to Sr. Davis.

- (p) Record retention (originally submitted in 2017) – submitted by Alec Goertzen

Sr. Hladun advises she still not received an answer on this from the national level and does not know when she will receive one. She says that it would be appropriate for the Bylaws Committee to look at drafting something for committees.

- (q) Update on recapturing dues – submitted by Alec Goertzen

Will ask Br. Aylward and Sr. Picard to speak to this at the face-to-face meeting.

- (r) Bargaining update – submitted by Marianne Hladun

Sr. Hladun will speak to at the face-to-face meeting.

- (s) Committee/Council Strategic Planning and Financial training – submitted by Marianne Hladun

Referred to the PRC Finance Committee.

- (t) Area Council funding for 2019 – motion for supplemental funding from deferred revenue – submitted by Marianne Hladun

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Referred to the PRC Finance Committee.

8. Roundtable Discussion (time permitting)

Meeting breaks at 7:35 p.m.