



## CONVENTION CALL

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To: All Locals, Branches, Component National Officers, Prairie Region Council, Area Councils, Regional Women's Committees, Human Rights Committees, National Aboriginal Peoples' Circle; Regional Aboriginal Peoples' Circles

**The 7th Triennial Convention of the PSAC Prairie Region will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, at the Fairmont Winnipeg beginning Friday, April 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. and concluding Sunday, April 23, at 12:30 p.m.**

The theme, "Celebrating Our History: Inspiring Our Future," captures the spirit of the PSAC's 50th anniversary and invites us to build this union into the future. We celebrate the defeat of the Harper Conservatives thanks to dedicated organizing by our members, and we strive toward a future based on equality, fairness and social justice. The theme for the 7th Triennial Convention of the PSAC Prairie Region reminds us of what we have achieved and what we can accomplish when we stand together.

Registration forms must be received in the Regional Executive Vice-President's office by December 8, 2016 in order to receive a subsidy.

Register online at [www.prairies.psac.com](http://www.prairies.psac.com)

Printed versions of the registration form are available if necessary. For a printed form, please email: [davisa@psac.com](mailto:davisa@psac.com)

### **WHO CAN BE A DELEGATE?**

Section 10 of the *PSAC Prairie Region Bylaws* (reprinted below), determines who can be a delegate at the Convention:

#### **Section 10: Representation and Voting at the Prairie Region Triennial Convention**

##### **Sub-Section (1)**

Each Local/Branch in good standing, shall be entitled to one delegate for the first 100 members or part thereof, and to one delegate for each additional 100 members or part thereof, in accordance with Section 4, Sub-Section (14) of the PSAC Constitution in the 12 months prior to the date of the Convention Call.

##### **Sub-Section (2)**

The PRC members shall be delegates to the Prairie Region Triennial Convention.

##### **Sub-Section (3)**

PSAC members who hold a PSAC national elected office, National Aboriginal Peoples' Circle (NAPC) representatives and Component National Officers who are members of the Prairie Regional Caucus shall be entitled to attend Prairie Region Triennial Conventions as delegates.

##### **Sub-Section (4)**

Each Regional Committee, as defined under Section 15 of the PSAC Constitution, in good standing will be entitled to one delegate to the Prairie Region Triennial Convention.

##### **Sub-Section (5)**

Each Area Council in good standing will be entitled to one delegate to the Prairie Region Triennial Convention.



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### CREDENTIALS

Each delegate, alternate, observer, and guest must complete the **online registration form** to receive credentials to Convention. All completed registration forms for delegates and alternates must be signed off by the Local/Branch President; PSAC Prairies Committee or Area Council Chairperson/Officer to certify that the member has been duly authorized as a delegate/alternate from their body to convention.

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### RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions to Convention must be forwarded to the office of the Regional Executive Vice-President by December 8, 2016. Please submit the resolutions in electronic format to [hladunm@psac.com](mailto:hladunm@psac.com)

Resolutions may be submitted by the Prairie Region Council, Locals, Branches, Regional Women's Committees, Area Councils, Human Rights Committees, and Regional Aboriginal Peoples' Circles.

### REGISTRATION

There is a registration fee of **\$100** for each delegate, observer and guest.

**Delegate credentials received by December 8:** your \$100 registration fee will be deducted from your subsidy (see Delegate Assistance, page 3).

**Delegate credentials received after December 8:** there will be no delegate assistance if the registration is received after the deadline of December 8, 2016. Your registration fee must still be submitted by mail.

**Observers and guests:** your registration fee must be submitted by mail.

Please make your cheque payable to PSAC Prairies. Please indicate on the cheque the Local/Branch #, Regional Women's Committee, Area Council, Human Rights Committee, Regional Aboriginal Peoples' Circle and the name of the delegate(s) it is for.

**\*REMINDER: There will be no delegate assistance if the registration is received after the subsidy deadline of December 8, 2016.**

### TRANSPORTATION/HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Delegates, observers and guests are expected to make their own transportation and hotel reservations. All delegates, observers and guests are responsible for the costs incurred for transportation and hotel accommodations. A block of hotel rooms has been reserved for our Convention. The cost of a room is \$170.00 plus taxes and applicable fees. Please complete your bookings prior to March 10, 2017.

#### **Blocks of rooms are at the following unionized hotels:**

- **Fairmont Winnipeg**, 2 Lombard Place, Winnipeg MB  
Toll Free: 1-800-441-1414; Local Phone: 1-204-957-1350; Fax: 1-204-949-1486
- **Radisson Hotel Winnipeg Downtown**, 288 Portage Ave., Winnipeg MB  
Toll Free: 1-800-339-5238; Local Phone: 1-204-956-0410; Fax: 1-204-975-6199

Please identify yourself as a delegate, observer or guest to the 2017 PSAC Prairie Region Convention when booking to ensure you receive the Convention room rate.



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### DELEGATE ASSISTANCE

The PSAC Convention and the Prairie Region Council has allocated funds to be used for delegate assistance. Only Locals or Branches will be entitled to assistance for each delegate registered. Please note the subsidy for each delegate will not entirely cover the cost of transportation, hotel, loss of salary and per diem. It is possible that the amounts listed may be increase based on the number of delegate registrations received by December 8, 2016.

- Each Alberta delegate will receive a minimum of \$650
- Each Saskatchewan delegate will receive a minimum of \$650
- Each Manitoba delegate who resides within 100km of Winnipeg will receive a minimum of \$250
- Each Manitoba delegate who resides 100km or more outside of Winnipeg will receive a minimum of \$400

To receive delegate assistance monies your registration form **must** be received by December 8, 2016.

### ELECTIONS

The following positions and alternates will be elected at the 7th Triennial Convention of the PSAC Prairie Region (subject to any Bylaw changes):

- Regional Executive Vice-President (REVP)
- Alternate REVP
- One representative for each of the following six geographical areas: Northern Alberta, Southern Alberta, Northern Saskatchewan, Southern Saskatchewan, South-East Manitoba, North-West Manitoba
- One representative for Regional Women's Committees
- One representative for Aboriginal Peoples
- One representative for Persons With Disabilities
- One representative for Racially Visible Persons
- One representative for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Persons
- One representative for Directly Chartered Locals
- One representative for Young Workers
- One representative for Separate Employer Locals

### QUESTIONS

Please refer to the PSAC Prairies website for Convention updates as they are available, [www.psic.com/prairies](http://www.psic.com/prairies). If you have any questions about this registration form or anything else related to the 7th Triennial Convention of the PSAC Prairie Region, please contact Alison Davis at 1-855-956-4625 (toll-free) / 204-956-4625 (in Winnipeg) or by email at [davisa@psac.com](mailto:davisa@psac.com).

In Solidarity,

Marianne Hladun  
Regional Executive Vice-President  
Public Service Alliance of Canada, Prairies

Encl.: Registration Form  
Delegate Certification Form  
Accommodation Request Form

Cc: National Board of Directors (NBoD)  
Lisa Garnier, Prairies Regional Coordinator