

**Comité régional des femmes francophones (CRFF)**  
**Minutes**

**September 24, 2019**  
**PSAC Regional Office**  
**200 Promenade du Portage, Gatineau**

**In attendance:**

Hélène Lapointe  
Anna-Marie Melanson  
Josée Millette  
Louise Paris  
Monique Lamarche  
Catherine Bergeron

The Vice-President opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

**1) Adoption of the amended agenda**

- a. Moved by Anna-Marie Melanson;
- b. Seconded by Catherine Bergeron;
- c. Motion carried.

**2) Approval of the Minutes of April 23, 2019**

- a. Moved by Josée Millette;
- b. Seconded by Hélène Lapointe;
- c. Motion carried.

- 3) **Take Back the Night** rally and march on Thursday, September 26: The province-wide rally and march starts at 6 p.m. in front of the Canadian Museum of History at the corner of Boulevard des Allumettières and Laurier Street, crosses the Interprovincial Bridge and finishes at the ByWard Market.

- 4) The **National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence against Women** takes place on December 6. Louise will email the location and time of the event.

- 5) **Regional Women's Conference:** Hélène and Louise presented a brief report on the conference that took place on June 8 and 9. The next PSAC National Women's Conference takes place on April 3 to 5, 2020 at the Westin Hotel in Ottawa ([syndicatafpc.ca/2020-womens-registration](https://syndicatafpc.ca/2020-womens-registration)).

**The deadline for registration is November 1.**

Two of the six resolutions were approved at the Regional Conference in June, and have been forwarded to the Resolutions Committee of the National Conference. The two resolutions are:

- a. Universal child care for all of Canada
- b. Promote Every Canadian Counts efforts to establish a National Disabilities Support Program

- 6) **Executive Committee elections will be held in January 2020.** The vacant positions are: President, two Vice-Presidents and Treasurer. Everyone was in favour of the elections.
- 7) **Announcements/Miscellaneous**
  - a) Anna-Marie reminded everyone that the PSAC-NCR Taxi Chit Policy was adopted last year and should be observed. For more information, see the [PSAC-NCR Taxi Chit Policy for NCR Committees and Area Councils](#).
  - b) The World March of Women takes place in the fall of 2020. Information is forthcoming.
  - c) The Human Rights Recognition Awards ceremony takes place from 5:30-8:30 p.m. on December 10 in the J.K. Wyllie Boardroom at 233 Gilmour Street. You are cordially invited to attend the evening, which features good food and conversation, the conferring of PSAC-NCR Human Rights Recognition Awards on your co-workers and a draw for prizes. Please sign up on the PSAC website if you would like to attend.
  - d) Resolutions – Anna-Marie discussed the two climate-change-related resolutions on which she is working:
    - i. Carbon offsetting for everyone who has to travel to regional and national conferences
    - ii. A partnership with not-for-profit organization TreeCanada.ca on reforestation initiatives in areas affected by climate-change-related disasters such as tornadoes, hurricanes, forest fires and ice storms.
- 8) **Updated Committee Budget** – Anna-Marie presented the Committee’s operating budget for January 1 to September 24, 2019.
- 9) **Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 22.**

**The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.**