# PSAC NRC Minutes of the Health and Safety Committee Meeting February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 – UNDE National Office

# **Present**

Imre Bene (Chair), Sylvie Leblanc (Vice-chair), Robert Basque (Secretary), Edith Knopp, Gary Bosloy, Carole Garneau, Behiye Cinkilic, Kim Haeck, Jean Lalonde, Anna-Marie Melanson, Rhea Sandy, Neville Feltham, Annie Noel, Roddie Dafoe, Carla Ross, Joanne Robinson, Chantal Fortin (PSAC Rep).

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Imre Bene.

#### Approval of Agenda

The agenda was moved by Bob, 2nd Gary, approved.

## **Approval of Previous Minutes**

The amended minutes of the January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 were m/s by Bob/Sylvie, approved.

## Welcome

Imre welcome everyone in attendance. A round table (introduction) was requested by the Chair as new members had joined the committee and were attending our meeting for the first time.

#### Old agenda item

#### Committee Swags:

Imre asked Sylvie to initiate a review of the cost associated with the different swags ideas the committee had discussed, he requested that she provides her finding to the committee at the next meeting.

Imre ask that anyone who has ideas for potential swags to forward them to Sylvie.

#### Recruitment:

Imre received from Marc a list of planned events from most components of PSAC. He will review the list and pick event relevant to H&S activities and share those with committee members so we can identify volunteer who would like to attend on behalf of our committee to spread the word about our committee and hopefully recruit members from component not represented at our meetings.

# Presenters at meeting:

Imre has approached OHCOW and they accepted his invitation to present at our March meeting on the service they provide.

## New Committee email address:

The PSAC NCR H&S committee will be getting its own email address. PSAC members will be able to send requests/inquiries to the committee emails address and we will answer or guide members accordingly.

#### Planning Committee for Regional H&S conference:

Rhea Sandy, Anna-Marie Melancon, Annie Noel, Carla Ross and Behiye Cinkilic

## New Business

We had a discussion on how local executive could get the employer to report to the local when employee are away on sick leave for extended period.

# **Round Table**

Joan question how to differentiate whether an injured employee should file with WSIB/CSST. The place of employment is the factor to consider, if workplace is Ottawa – WSIB, if workplace is Gatineau – CSST.

Chantal highlighted some upcoming trg related to H&S:

- Disability insurance
- Basic H&S
- Duty to accommodate
- Advance H&S
- M/H in the workplace

Chantal also reminded everyone on the rally about Phoenix on Feb  $28^{\text{th}}$  and noon – 90 Elgin Street.

Finally Chantal informed every one of new changes coming in regard to submitting claims effective April 1<sup>st</sup> 2018. (More to come)

Carol wanted to know what criteria of selection used to decide who would be accepted on the advance H&S trg. Chantal provided an overview of how similar selection were done in the past.

Sylvie wanted to know who is able to enter union leave in the system as some organization don't have this option yet.

End of business,

The chair thanked everyone for attending.

# Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at the UNDE National Office.