Minutes of the Meeting of Members with Disabilities Action Committee (MDAC) June 4, 2015 Pat McGrath boardroom, 11 Holland Ave

A // In Attendance:

Rick Lynn (UNE)
Behiye Cinkilic (UNE)
Marc Masson (UNE)
John Jedrasik (GSU)
Michel Tondreau (GSU)
Peggy Coupland (UNE)

• Jay Castonguay (PSAC Rgn Rep)

B // Absent:

Lise Nault (UNDE)
Jo-An Munday (UNDE)
Denise Camus (CEIU)

• Brigitte Coghill (NRU)

C // Sending Regrets:

Dianne Brown (UNE)Peter Hyduk (UNDE)

1 // Introduction

Meeting was called to order at 17:30 hrs.

2 // Adoption of Agenda

The Agenda for meeting was reviewed and accepted:

Motion : - John Jedrasik 2nd : - Marc Masson

Carried

3 // Adoption of Minutes from May's meeting

The minutes from the last meeting was reviewed and small grammatical additions were made. Motion to adopt with changes:

Motion : - John Jedrasik 2nd : - Marc Masson

• Carried

4// Matters arising from last meeting (s)

A// Chair's Vision for MDAC

For the MDAC Terms of Reference, Rick would like to explore changing the Chair position from having only 1 representative to 2. A presentation on this idea followed by a vote will be conducted at a future date.

B// Jam Day

MDAC will be registering for this August 8th event and Zelma from RVAC has agreed to share the tent and costs with our group.

C// Upcoming Training, Conferences, Swag

In a fine restaurant, PSAC may be organizing another *Journey of the Senses*. We will wait for more information on the event.

NCR Annual General Meeting 2015 (June 13-14) is coming up. Jo-An Munday will be representing our group.

The 17th National Triennial Convention of the PSAC (April 25 - May 1, 2015) was a success. Many of our members attended and some of our resolutions were accepted ie:

- Disabled Regional Representatives can now inspect the potential location of any PSAC conference to ensure that is accessible.
- Because of mobility issues of finding a bank in an unfamiliar city, people with disabilities can request their <u>Travel Expense</u> check prior to their attendance to the conference.

Because of our shortage of MDAC swag, the following will be purchased:

Item	Amount	Total Cost
-Pen/flashlight	500	\$1511.33 (for both items)
-Jar Openers	500	
-Dianne Brown Buttons	525	499.67
-Windbreakers	TBD	59.67 (estimate per
(Note: This will be for MDAC members who regularly attend our meetings)		jacket)

5// John's retirement

After joining the Public Service in 1973, our long time MDAC brother will be taking a much deserved retirement from the office environment. He has agreed to remain with MDAC to provide his experience and expertise, but will not have a vote. To thank him for his union dedication, cake was served along with John regaling us with stories of his active union career.

6// Speakers to our meetings

Any MDAC member who knows of anybody who has a stimulating Disability topic to share is requested to extend a meeting invite to them to present their story to our group. With a list of interesting personalities booked and advertised on the PSAC website, it is hoped that it will help to self-educate us in the various Disability topics and hopefully attract guests and potential members to our gatherings. Please notify Rick in advance of any potential speakers and **note:** that any monetary donations will be decided on *a case by case* basis.

7// Conclusion

• **Date of Next Meeting : -** September 3, 2015

• **Adjournment:** - 19:30 pm.

• Minutes prepared and accepted:

Marc Masson Rick Lynn Secretary MDAC Chair

Date Date