

**Minutes of the Meeting of  
Members with Disabilities Action Committee (MDAC)  
May 5, 2016  
PSAC-Gatineau Regional Office – 200 Promenade du Portage**

**A // In Attendance:**

- Behiye Cinkilic (UNE)
- Rick Lynn (UNE)
- Denise Camus (CEIU)
- Marc Masson (UNE)
- Peter Hyduk (UNDE)
  
- Jay Castonguay (PSAC Rgn Rep)

**B // Absent:**

- Brigitte Coghill (NRU)
- Michel Tondreau (GSU)

**C // Sending Regrets:**

- Dianne Brown (UNE)

**D // Guests:**

- Christian Gosselin

## **1 // Introduction**

Meeting was called to order at 17:30 hrs.

## **2 // Adoption of Agenda**

The meeting agenda was reviewed and accepted:

- Motion : - Peter Hyduk
- 2nd : - Marc Masson
- Carried

## **3 // Adoption of Minutes from April's meeting**

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

- Motion : - Peter Hyduk
- 2nd : - Marc Masson
- Carried

#### **4// Matters arising from last meeting (s)**

##### **MDAC's new Logo**

A graphics artist is currently looking into our design ideas and will be providing a few more MDAC logo examples for review.

##### **Finances**

Marc Masson (new Treasurer) and Behiye (new President) will be sitting down with Peter to discuss the fine details of the reports to help familiarize them with the process.

#### **5// Upcoming events**

##### **Regional Health and Safety Conference**

Rick will man the table and hand out our swag/ information; it has been requested that other members volunteer their time as well.

##### **Jam Day 2016**

We will be sharing a tent/rental costs with RVAC; so MDAC's cost will be \$280. Members are asked to come forward to help with our table and hand out our swag/ information.

##### **Brainstorming – Plan of Action for MDAC**

A pamphlet is currently being put together by the PSAC to help promote the different Equity Committees and to recruit new members. More of this initiative will be discussed at the next meeting.

It was also requested that members come up with ideas for MDAC to promote/recruit on our own... etc, a movie night, a pancake breakfast ... etc.

## 6// Presentation by Le Portail de l'Outaouais

Christian Gosselin, the founder of “Le Portail de l'Outaouais” spoke about his magazine and how it ties in with MDAC’s mandate. Our presenter spent some time living on the streets and his experience made him realize that many people in a similar situation are there because of substance abuse issues or cognitive problems; which devalues their sense of worth and employability. To help stop this vicious cycle, Christian founded his magazine to discuss homelessness issues, among other topics, and sell the magazine to economic disadvantaged people for \$1.50 for the first 10 magazines, for them to sell for \$3. By providing them with a small business and the potential to make money, he hopes to empower his vendors with the notion that they can succeed. Unfortunately, many of his potential vendors do not have the \$15 to get started.

Motion to provide \$150 to Christian to sponsor 10 vendors to get started selling the magazine.

- Motion : - Peter Hyduk
- 2nd : - Denise Camus
- Carried

## 7 // Conclusion

- **Date of Next Meeting :** - June 2, 2016
- **Adjournment:** - 20:00 pm.
- **Minutes prepared and accepted :**

Marc Masson  
Secretary

Behiye Cinkilic  
MDAC Chair

Date

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