**Minutes of the Meeting of**

**Members with Disabilities Action Committee (MDAC)**

**June 2, 2016**

**PSAC-Gatineau Regional Office – 200 Promenade du Portage**

**A // In Attendance:**

* Behiye Cinkilic (UNE)
* Rick Lynn (UNE)
* Marc Masson (UNE)
* Peter Hyduk (UNDE)
* Brigitte Coghill (NRU)
* Denise Camus (CEIU)
* Michel Tondreau (GSU)

**B // Absent:**

**C // Sending Regrets:**

* Jay Castonguay (PSAC Rgn. Rep)

**D // Guests:**

* Carl Laguerre
* Zelma Buckley

**1 // Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 17:30 hrs.

**2 // Introduction**

Members and the guests introduced themselves. Carl Laguerre and Zelma Buckley participated as guests for Rick’s last participation as Vice-Chair of MDAC.

**3 // Adoption of Agenda**

The meeting agenda was reviewed and Behiye proposed to add under item 6 “Budget” 6 a) Presentation by Zelma;, and 6 b) Motion. Amended agenda was adopted unanimously.

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

**4 // Adoption of Minutes from last 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

**5 // 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. Jay will discuss the project at our next meeting

**6 // Budget**

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. Meeting may include Claudine-the REVP’s Assistant.

**6 A** // **Presentation by Sister Zelma Buckley**

Sister Zelma Buckley announced with deep regretSister Dianne Brown’s death after her long and brave struggle with cancer. Sister Dianne was a long-time friend and ally of MDAC and will be missed by many of us dearly.

We wish that her soul rest in peace and her family and friends have the patience to overcome this dearest loss.

MDAC held a moment of silence and hoped that she would find peace on the other side and her family would find some comfort at this difficult time.

Sister Zelma mentioned that the final arrangements for Sister Dianne Brown's Funeral were made for Saturday June 4th from 11am-12pm, with reception to follow. She mentioned also that Dianne’s young son was left with taking care of all funeral and reception arrangements and RVAC would make a contribution towards the reception expenses.

**6 B // Motion**

MDAC members agreed that MDAC should also make a contribution to the same. A motion was made to donate $200 to the cost of the funeral reception.

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

**7// MDAC Action Plan**

Following up from the discussions held during the last meeting of MDAC on May 5, 2016, brainstorming about the preferred activities and MDAC plan of action continued. Suggestions made included to have co-committee meetings with MDAC, MASC and RVAC to focus on working towards the common goals and interests; celebrating December 3rd International Day of Persons with Disabilities together with the December 10th International Human Rights Day; increasing political activities; having guest speakers; and organizing movie nights and other social activities in cooperation with other committees.

**8 // Jam Day 2016**

As agreed previously, RVAC and MDAC will share the cost of the tent rental and have some volunteers to help with installations and answering questions at the tables. With the recent loss of our Sister Dianne, the buttons made last year in her honour would be made available again for collecting donations in support for her cause in Jamaica. Rick and Behiye will again volunteer. There will be hand out information and swags, and perhaps hand sanitizers. It would be great if the PSAC banner and the Jamaican flag xould be made available to use in the background.

**9 // Conclusion**

Members and the guests extended Rick their best wishes for his retirement and thanked him for his contributions to MDAC.

* **Date of Next Meeting : -** September 1**,**  2016
* **Adjournment:**   **-** 19:55 pm.
* **Minutes prepared**  **and accepted :**

Marc Masson         Behiye Cinkilic

Secretary  MDAC Chair

Date  Date