

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Members with Disabilities Action Committee (MDAC)
November 5, 2015
Pat McGrath boardroom, 11 Holland Ave**

A // In Attendance:

- Rick Lynn (UNE)
- Marc Masson (UNE)
- Peter Hyduk(UNDE)
- Denise Camus (CEIU)
- Brigitte Coghill (NRU)
- Jay Castonguay (PSAC Rgn Rep)
- Behiye Cinkilic (UNE)
- John Jedrasik (GSU)
- Michel Tondreau (GSU)

B // Absent:

- Peggy Coupland (UNE)
- Jo-An Munday (UNDE)

C // Sending Regrets:

- Dianne Brown (UNE)

D // Guest:

- Anne Cole

1 // Introduction

Meeting was called to order at 17:30 hrs.

2 // Adoption of Agenda

The Agenda for meeting was reviewed and accepted:

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

3 // Adoption of Minutes from Septembers 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)

A// Upcoming Training, Conferences, Swag

The point was raised that our current MDAC “Swag” logo and Website are tired and should be updated. Members are asked to submit their ideas and creative energies for the updates.

The Union Education fall schedule has been recently posted. Marc has applied and has been accepted to the PSAC-NCR Union School in December. Jay will be sending up promotional MDAC swag for Marc to use to promote our organization. Behiye Cinkilic will be representing her own local, but has agreed to give a helping hand in promoting MDAC.

B// Speakers to our meetings

Anne Cole, Graduate Student from McMaster University provided a follow up presentation from her talk back in May about her research on the difficulties in the government, of members returning to work after Long Term Disability or Maternity Leave. Unfortunately, the results of her paper was that reintegration for these two groups is very difficult and a long tough road to follow.

5// New proposal to order MDAC meals

Jay discussed the food ordered for each meeting and the relation to the time and resources it takes for her and her staff to provide this service. She mentioned that other union groups are now gathering their own RSVPs of their attending members, ordering the food and then submitting the receipts. She would like MDAC to consider moving toward this new model or create our own rendition of it.

6// Christmas Meeting

The Christmas season is upon us, so to mark the occasion; MDAC is hosting a staff Christmas party at the Atomic Rooster at 303 Bank Street at 5:30 pm.

7// Conclusion

- **Date of Next Meeting :-** December 10, 2015
- **Adjournment:** - 20:00 pm.
- **Minutes prepared and accepted :**

Marc Masson
Secretary

Rick Lynn
MDAC Chair

Date

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