

OAC Minutes

May 13, 2015

Present

▪ Dave Lanthier	UTE 70090	Chair
▪ Gerard Kirkham	UTE 70030	Delegate
▪ Linda Walters	UTE 70030	Secretary-Treasurer
▪ Enza Ricci	UNDE 70607	Delegate
▪ Shawn Walker	UNE 70130	Delegate
▪ Jeffory Wrinn	UNDE 70603	Director
▪ André Miller	UNE 70501	Alt. Director
▪ Robert Spinney	UNDE 70611	Alt. Director
▪ Rick Lynn	UNE 70148	Delegate
▪ Sandra Griffith-Bonaparte	UNDE 70607	Delegate
▪ Zelma Buckley	UNDE 70608	Delegate
▪ Behiye Cinkilic	UNE 70125	Delegate
▪ Donna Henderson	UNDE 70603	Alt. Director
▪ Vicki-Lynn Smith	UTE 70030	Delegate
▪ Alan Craig	UTE 70001	Director
▪ June Dale	UNE 70059	Delegate
▪ Darrell Klerks	UNE 70130	Delegate
▪ Greg McGillis	GSU RVP	Observer
▪ Jake Schofield	UTE 70030	Observer
▪ Sandra DiGnagbo	Young Workers	
▪ Yagusha Bodnar	UCTE 70703	Delegate

Staff

Nairra Tariq Regional Representative

Regrets

Gary Bruyere

Guests

Jill O'Reilly	ACORN
Gihelik Edward	ACORN
Christine Bro	ACORN/SEIU
Remy Gapas	ACORN/SEIU

1] Adoption of Agenda

Add to item 4 – Attendance at ACORN Convention – Rick Lynn

Add to item 7 – Public Service Week

Wrinn/Spinney M/S carried

2] Review of previous minutes

Typo at item 7d – there will be a meeting on the hill with 4 MP's

Add Regrets from Alan Craig

Lynn/Miller M/S carried

3] Business of previous minutes

- MAYDAY – Donna Henderson attended meeting. The committee had discussions concerning migrant workers and April 28 – Day of Mourning

4] Presentation from ACORN

- Gihelik Edward discussed how ACORN members work with low income families.
- ACORN is fighting for the minimum wage to be raised to \$15 per hour. This will bring them 10% above the poverty line.
- Saturday June 20 – join ACORN/SEIU at 12 pm at City Hall - 'Invisible No More' campaign. The cleaners in federal building in the NCR live on poverty wages and do not have benefits.
- Friday May 22 – attend the 'Leaders of Tomorrow Ceremony and Pot Luck' at the Dominion Chalmers United Church located at 355 Cooper St. A donation of \$10 would be appreciated, at the door, to help subsidize low income families to be able to attend training and workshops at the National Convention June 13 to June 15, 2015.
- ACORN is holding their AGM Convention in Montreal and are asking for support.
- Rick Lynn is a member of ACORN and would like to attend the Convention on June 13 to June 15. Rick is requesting \$275 (cost to attend) from OAC.

MOTION: OAC to support Rick Lynn (\$275) to attend Convention and bring back a clear report. Rick will be representing OAC

Craig/Miller M/S Unanimous

5] Chair's Report

Chair to André Miller

- Has been working on Elections campaigns and Riding Teams
- Attended the PSAC Convention in Quebec City. Approximately 1000 people were there. Twenty nine Resolutions were passed and also the Emergency Resolution.
- There was question of the \$1500 donation to Hay River put forward at the Convention. In the budget, there is a line item named 'Strike Support'. \$500 from each of NCR, OAC and CRAPO committees will total the \$1500. This was approved by Larry Rousseau at Convention.

Chair back to Dave Lanthier

Lanthier/Kirkham M/S Carried

MOTION: OAC to donate \$500 to ACORN to support member to attend Triennial Convention where Political Actions will be discussed

Kirkham/Lanthier M/S Unanimous

6] Treasurer's Report

- Statement was provided as at May 4, 2015
- \$6735.87 remaining
- \$5000 allocation will be received in late June early July.

7] Regional Issues

A] Door knocking training (riding teams)

A new Grass Roots campaign ongoing – recruit for May 29 and May 30 door knocking. \$50 per diem will be paid as well as loss of salary for Friday May 29.

B] Joint meeting with CRAPO

Still ongoing. It was suggested that the 2 Chairs (OAC and CRAPO) and REVP attend.

C] NBOD/NCR activities

Ongoing. There will be numerous last minute items coming through. With the Emergency Resolution at Convention, the next few months will be very busy.

D] CLC Election Preparation Conference – follow-up café

Everyone has been extremely busy of late and the café is on hold. There is an event in June that Hussan will be speaking at.

E] Recruitment for Westfest

Nairra produced a calendar for people to sign up to volunteer for upcoming events.

PSAC will have a table at the Glebe Garage Sale May 23.

Westfest – June 13 and June 14

GCTC will be performing a play called ‘The Public Servant’ from June 4 to June 21. PSAC/NCR will have an information table in the lobby of the theater during the play. As well as a ticket to the play, meal will be covered for members who volunteer to man this table.

Please contact Nairra for further info.

F] Lobbying

Dave had met with Pierre Poilievre.

Slogan: “VOTE ANYONE BUT CONSERVATIVES” please be very careful during door knocking. Be safe.

G] Public Service Week

Public Service Week is June 15 to June 19. As in previous years, there will be a van with public address system. Need volunteers to help. PSAC will cover wages. And, as in previous years, BOYCOTT EMPLOYER ACTIVITIES.

8] PSAC National Convention (update)

All who had attended the Convention agreed that it was a great Convention. So many Resolutions carried.

Adjourn: 7:15 pm