PSAC-NCR Executive Meeting

Tuesday, August 7th, 2012 233 Gilmour - Room J.K Wyllie 5:30 p.m

Attendance:

Jocelyne Bordage, OWRC Zelma Buckley, Co-chair, RVAC Gabriel Bourdon, Member at Large Louise Blouin, Member at Large Sandra Dignagbo, Member at Large Amyn Keshavjee, Member at Large Charles Khoury, Treasurer Chantal Fortin, Alternate Member at Large, Chair, Education David Lanthier, Chair, OAC Carl Laguerre, Co-chair, RVAC Claudette Gilbord, Representative for MDAC Jacques Marengère, Co-chair, Pride André Poliquin, Member at Large, Co-chair, Young Workers Committee Patrice Remillard, Member at large Larry Rousseau, REVP Daniel Charron, Alternate REVP Michèle Milotte, Member at Large Ginette Thony, Chair, RWFC Francine Stuart, CRAPO Alex Sauvé, Member at Large

Observers:

Chantal Rajotte, Chair Communication

Staff:

Alroy Fonseca, Political Communications Officer Carlin Doutre, Interim Regional Coordinator Claudine Prophète, Executive Assistant

1) Welcome remarks (Larry Rousseau):

2) Amendment to the Agenda:

- 4a) NCR Family Day, Festivals des Montgolfieres (F. Stuart)
- Folks Fest, National Day of Action on Sept 15th, 2012 (C. Doutre)
- Carivibe (Z. Buckley)

-3a) Member Benefit Fund

- 7) Varia: The new PSAC Human Rights Committee (C. Laguerre) Powershit (A. Poliquin)
- M / S / C to adopt revised agenda: D. Lanthier / J. Bordage

3) Minutes of May 22nd, 2012:

On page 5, it should be Asian Heritage Month.

M/ S /C: J. Bordage / F. Stuart

3a) Member Benefit Fund:

In addition to the Chair of the MBF, Lynn Smith- Doiron, the REVP would like to have 3 people from the executive who would accept to be on the board of Trustees for the MBF along with the Chair of MBF and the NCR Treasurer. The duty of this committee would be to review the financial statements for the MBF before presenting them to the Regional Council.

The treasurer, Charles Khoury, accepts to be on the committee.

After nominations, the Member's Benefit Fund Committee is composed of:

- Lynn Smith-Doiron, Chairperson

- Charles Khoury, Treasurer
- Carl Laguerre
- Alex sauvé.

4) Auditor's Financial Report :

It's the draft of the financial statements ending December 2011. It has to be approved at this executive meeting so that we can present the final statements at the Regional Council in September 2012.

M / S / C: F. Stuart; D. Lanthier

4a) - PSAC- NCR Family Day (Carl Laguerre):

C. Laguerre is proposing a motion to designate a day of activities starting next year where we would have a barbecue with families.D. Lanthier is suggesting referring this activity to a committee for more research before we go ahead with this idea.

M / S / C: D. Lanthier; C. Khoury

- Carivibe (Z. Buckley):

It's the Ottawa version of the Caribana in Toronto. Because of the celebration of Jamaica's 50 years independence, RVAC is taking part in a float. According to Z. Buckley, it would be a good opportunity to advertise the *We are all affected* Campaign.

Since it is following the *We are all affected* Campaign which is a political action, a motion is proposed by D. Lanthier to refer this to the OAC meeting so that we could get the information needed to make a decision . The funding will come from the OAC's budget. The REVP suggests that the staff will start to collect all the information concerning this event as soon as possible.

M / S / C: D. Lanthier; M. Milotte

- Festival des montgolfières (F. Stuart):

CRAPO wishes to invite the candidates for provincial elections to the Festival des montgolfières to meet with the REVP or Robin Benson and also give the opportunity to the public to ask some questions. We are still working on the *We are all affected* Campaign.

- Folk Fest (C. Doutre):

The festival will take place from September 6th to 10th. We are still looking for volunteers. An email has also been sent to committees who wish to participate in certain activities.

- National Day of Action (L. Rousseau)

On September 15th, the REVP wants to see all the committees participating on that day. Since it is a political action, CRAPO and OAC should work together with the Interim coordinator for this event. Carlin also suggests finding some ideas to attract members or the general public.

5) OAS Video (L. Rousseau)

The REVP presents a video concerning the OAS and would like some feedbacks from the executive.

6) Education By-laws and REVP'S interpretation (C. Laguerre)

C. Laguerre asks whether the regulation that stipulates that the Education president is absolutely a member at large is still valid. The REVP confirms that Education Committee works closely with the Education program. Since the Education president is not part of the executive, they wanted to make sure that the person who preside this committee is part of the executive and the only solution left is to be a member at large. To become the Education president, you must be a member at large. If you want to change this rule, you need to pass a resolution at National Convention.

7) RVAC's by-laws (Z. Buckley and C. Laguerre)

These by-laws will be voted at the next executive meeting in September.

8) - The new PSAC Human Rights Committee (C. Laguerre)

C. Laguerre wants to know when the REVP is holding the election concerning the new PSAC Human Rights Committee. The REVP mentions that this new committee will have 5 representatives, one from each of the equity committees of the region. Each equity committee will elect their own representative.

- Powershift (A. Poliquin)

The Young Workers will sponsor Powershift's program that will take place in the end of October. The committee is searching for the support of the AEC to promote this event.

Announcements:

C. Guilbord (MDAC's representative) is inviting the executive and their families to a family day of movies for children and adults sponsored by MDAC.

The Pride parade will be on August 26th, 2012

Festival of India will be happing this weekend.

Motion to adjourn: M / S / C: D. Lanthier; J. Bordage

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.