

**PSAC NRC Minutes of the Health and Safety Committee
April 19, 2017 - Ottawa Regional Office**

Present

Imre Bene (Chair), Sylvie Leblanc, Dennis Mah, Robert Basque (Secretary), Edith Knopp, Carla Ross, Kim Haeck, Gary Bosloy, Behiye Cinkilic, Shawn King, Yagusha Bodner, Marc Béland (PSAC Rep).

Guest: David Lanthier, Gesine Campbell, Greg McGillis, Chantal Fortin.

Regrets

Shelley Anderson, Andre Miller, Denise Camus, Helene de Repentigny, Joanne Robinson.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Imre Bene.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was moved by Robert, 2nd by Gary, approved.

Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of March meeting was moved by Shawn, 2nd by Dennis, approved.

Old Agenda Item

H&S Banner - update

Marc mentioned that the committee has a 50/50 chance of getting the banner before the NCR triennial conference.

Eco Responsibility

This item was deferred to the next meeting in the absence of brother Miller.

Resolution – PSAC Triennial Convention

Marc briefly spoke on an initiative he would like the committee to bring forward in regards to strengthening the article in collective agreement that address injury on duty leave. Marc mentioned that the language in the CA should clearly indicate that no employee should suffer financial hardship while waiting on a decision when a claim has been made pursuant to the Government Employees Compensation Act.

Imre mentioned that this initiative / resolution should be raised as part of bargaining demand in the next round of negotiation as it relates to changes to language in our collective agreements.

Chantal mentioned that the committee should consider raising two resolutions:

1 - That the PSAC recommend to the bargaining teams to set the bargaining demand as a priority.

2 - That the PSAC lobby TBS to change its policy.

Committee Table at Convention

Marc will man the table on Friday May 5th and Gary and Kim on Saturday May 6th.

April 28th – Day of mourning

Marc reminded all that the ceremony will be held at Vincent Massey Park. Bob will send the link with the details of the ceremony to all.

New Business

Summer Break

The committee members all agreed to a summer break so there will be no meeting in July and August.

Regional Committee – meet & great

The NCR Regional Executive have discussed the possibility of hosting a meet & great for all committees members in the near future, it was recommended by the majority of committee members to have this event during a weekday as the majority wants to enjoy their weekend.

Round Table

Behiye provided some info about the M/H first-aid training (basic & advance) and Chantale added that once the new education officer is in place, that individual will be attending the train the trainer for the M/H first-aid training so that this training can be delivered in house.

Sylvie mentioned that the employee co-chair on the H&S policy committee at Global Affairs has managerial duty function and was wondering if this is acceptable. Marc will follow-up with Sylvie on this issue.

Next Meeting

May 17, 2017 at Gatineau Regional Office.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.