

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Members with Disabilities Action Committee (MDAC)
September 3, 2015
Pat McGrath boardroom, 11 Holland Ave**

A // In Attendance:

- Rick Lynn (UNE)
- Marc Masson (UNE)
- Michel Tondreau (GSU)
- Peter Hyduk (UNDE)
- Jo-An Munday (UNDE)

B // Absent:

- Lise Nault (UNDE)
- Denise Camus (CEIU)
- Brigitte Coghill (NRU)
- Peggy Coupland (UNE)

C // Sending Regrets:

- Dianne Brown (UNE)
- Jay Castonguay (PSAC Rgn Rep)
- Behiye Cinkilic (UNE)
- John Jedrasik (GSU)

D // Guest:

- Christina Ranieri Ability First Ottawa

1 // Introduction

Meeting was called to order at 17:30 hrs.

2 // Adoption of Agenda

The Agenda for meeting was reviewed and accepted:

- Motion : - Michel Tondreau
- 2nd : - Marc Masson
- Carried

3 // Adoption of Minutes from June's 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// Chair's Vision for MDAC

For the MDAC Terms of Reference, Rick would like to explore changing the Chair position from having only 1 representative to 2. A presentation on this idea followed by a vote will be conducted at a future date.

B// Jam Day

This year's Jam Day was a success and it provided a lot of exposure to MDAC and our mandate. 67\$ worth of Dianne Brown buttons were sold and at the RVAC table, they raised \$58.50. Both amounts will be donated to her charity "Feeding the 5000 in Jamaica".

C// Upcoming Training, Conferences, Swag

The Union Education fall schedule has been recently posted. Rick has requested that our members take a serious look at the list and put some thought into taking some classes.

The MDAC Windbreakers have come in and some members have received them. The feed back was very positive, and it is expected that it will be worn at all union events to further promote our group.

5// Speakers to our meetings

Further to our initiative to stimulate our meetings by inviting guests to discuss Disability topics, Christina Ranieri, spoke in behalf of Ability First Ottawa. It is a non-profit organization that provides comprehensive services and support to individuals (with or without developmental disabilities) and their families. Services include life-skills, locating housing and parenting support. She mentioned that there is a need for funding since the program costs are high and some couples are getting divorced because a single mother has a better chance to qualify for government support then a working, married one.

After Christina concluded here discussion and excusing herself from our meeting, a motion was made to donate \$100 to the organization.

- Motion : - Michel Tondreau
- 2nd : - Marc Masson
- Carried

6// Finance

Peter presented the Budget Report along with our expenses for the current fiscal year that was received from the PSAC. He noticed some inconsistencies in the numbers, so he will investigate them and notify us of his finds at our next meeting.

7// Conclusion

- **Date of Next Meeting :** - October 1, 2015
- **Adjournment:** - 19:30 pm.
- **Minutes prepared and accepted :**

Marc Masson
Secretary

Rick Lynn
MDAC Chair

Date

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