PSAC NRC Minutes of the Health and Safety Committee Sept 20, 2017 – Gatineau Regional Office

Present

Sylvie Leblanc (Vice-chair), Robert Basque (Secretary), Edith Knopp, Kim Haeck, Behiye Cinkilic, Carole Garneau, Pat St-Georges, Denise Camus, Bonnie Munroe, Guy Castonguay, Marc Béland (PSAC Rep).

Regrets

Joan Robinson, Rhea Sandy, Gary Bosloy, Andre Miller, Helene de Repentigny, Yagusha Bodner, Imre Bene (Chair)

Call to Order

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

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was moved by Sylvie, 2nd by Edith, approved.

Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the June meeting were moved by Bob, 2nd by Edith, approved.

Old Agenda Item

Health & Safety Banner

Our new banner was finally presented to committee members, it will be kept at the Gatineau regional office.

Regional meet and greet

In the absence of the Chair, no update were available in regard to this activity, deferred to the next meeting.

Resolution – Injury on duty leave

The sub-committee wasn't able to gather all the necessary information required to allow them to write a formal proposal.

Defibrillator

The Vice-chair mentioned that she is experiencing difficulties is getting her employer to embrace the need to have defibrillators installed in all buildings employees are located into. She is inquiring on what would be the best vehicle to amend (NJC or OHS act) so that the employer would be forced to provide such equipment.

The Vice-chair was informed that she needed to discuss this issue further with Denis St-Jean.

Expense claim

In the absence of the Chair, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

Round Table

Denise mentioned that PSAC should consider problems employees are experiencing with Phoenix as part of their M/H program.

Behiye mentioned that the education committee is considering presenting a workshop on violence in the workplace this fall if possible.

Pat quickly discussed the problem encountered by most when trying to identify a competent person to conduct a violence in the workplace investigation.

Kimberly raised an issue in regards to medical evacuation from the workplace, she wanted to know if a directive existed that stipulates who is responsible to cover for ambulance fees. She was referred to NJC directive regarding H&S and also referred to an authority within her organization (DSafeG – DND)

Next Meeting

Oct 18th, 2017 at Ottawa Regional Office.

Adjournment

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