**Present:**

Colleen Hodder, A/REVP Atlantic

Katie Murphy-Langille, EA to the REVP

Sébastien Bezeau, Political Communications Officer

Debbie McLaughlin, A/Atlantic Regional Coordinator

Angela Decker, Director for Women – NL

Jill Power, Provincial Director – NL

Chris Lansdell, Provincial Director – NL

Mike LeBlanc, Provincial Director – NB

Darlene Bembridge, Provincial Director - NB

Chris Di Liberatore, Provincial Director – NS

Brian Oldford, Director for Non-Treasury Board/Separate Employer – Maritimes

Bill Bennett, Director for Non-Treasury Board/Separate Employer - NL

Shanny Doucet, Director for Francophone Members

Rhonda Doyle–LeBlanc, Director for Women – Maritimes

Joey Dunphy, Director for Aboriginal Members

Neville David, Director for Racially Visible Members

Wayne Kelley, Director for GLBT Members

Allyson Garrison, Director for Young Workers

Jody LaPierre, Provincial Director – PE

Debi Buell, Provincial Director – PE

**Regrets:**

Nathalie Paulin, Director for Members with Disabilities

**Guests**:

Lori Walton, GSU National Vice-President - Equity

Eddy Bourque, CEIU Deputy Trustee - Atlantic

Jennifer Higdon, UEW Regional Vice-President

**1. Hours of Session**

Meeting of the Atlantic Regional Council, September 29 through October 2, 2016

September 29, Committee Meetings 1:00 p.m – 8:30 p.m

September 30, Committee Meetings 9:00 a.m – 5:00 p.m

October 1, Council Business 9:00 a.m – 5:00 p.m

October 2, Council Business 9:00 a.m – 12:00 p.m

**2. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m with Sister Colleen Hodder, the Acting REVP in the chair.

**3. Moment of Silence**

A moment of silence was held in memory of our union brothers and sisters who passed away since the last Council Meeting. The following names were read into the minutes:

Donnie Martin - Firefighter UNDE

Abninder Aulakh – CIU Branch 024 (Ontario)

Ken Doyle – Retired UVAE Member

Noel Cooper – GSU Local 60018

TBD

Larry Welsh – Regional Rep, St. John’s Office

**4. PSAC Harassment Statement**

Brother Lansdell and Brother LeBlanc read aloud the PSAC Statement

on Harassment.

A/Coordinator Debbie McLaughlin was identified as the harassment coordinator. Her phone number was provided.

**5. Adoption of Agenda**

The agenda was reviewed and a few items were added under “other items” as follows:

- Directly Chartered Locals

- Inclusion of Directors at Regional Events

- National Equity Conference Resolution

- Accommodations

m/s Brother LeBlanc/Brother Oldford

***Carried***

**6. Review of Previous Minutes**

Review of the previous minutes of February 18-21, 2016.

m/s Sister Decker/Brother Di Liberatore

***Carried***

**7. Opening Remarks**

The A/REVP advised that Sister Jeannie Baldwin, REVP, recently had foot surgery and is hopeful to be back in her role as REVP in November.

Brother Steve Johnson retired in June and therefore is no longer a member in good standing. Sister Hodder asked Council to welcome the alternate, Sister Jill Power to Council. Sister Power will be replacing Brother Johnson as one of the two Provincial Directors for Newfoundland and Labrador. Sister Power resides in Labrador city and is the local president of UCTE local 90940.

Sister Hodder introduced Sister Debbie McLaughlin as the Acting Regional Coordinator

In Sister Gaby Levesque’s absence.

**Phoenix**

Several events took place around the region on the issue of Phoenix such as:

* Sister Hodder thanked members who worked on the events in St. John’s around the Phoenix pay system. Initiated by the Union of National Defense Employees, PSAC Atlantic organized a membership meeting, plantgate, press conference and demo. Members were waiting for an event like this one to take place and we should be very proud that it happened in our Region.
* An event at the Miramichi pay centre. Sister Hodder acknowledged and thanked the Union of Solicitor General Employees for organizing an appreciation lunch where they provided pizza and drinks to the pay centre employees. This event coincided on the same day of the hearing of PSAC’s unfair labour practice where the deputy minister blamed the workers for committing administrative errors.

Although the government is meeting some of our demands on the Phoenix issue, they are still not committing to actually fixing the problem – fixing Phoenix itself!

**NS Municipal Elections**

In Nova Scotia, municipal elections will be taking place on Saturday, October 15. This year, the CLC’s Municipalities Matter campaign will be focusing solely on the Halifax Regional Municipality and the Cape Breton Municipality. Their campaign is focused and targeted to ensure greater success.

The CLC did a lot of work handing out questionnaires and conducting follow-up interviews with various candidates and the Labour Councils did make final recommendations on who we should support as labour-friendly candidates.

**NS Provincial Elections**

No date has been established for the provincial elections, but preparation is underway for early next year. As the liberal government of Stephen McNeil is always attacking workers, PSAC membership has to ensure that we defeat this government in the upcoming election.

In Nova Scotia, there are 8 DCL’s who have even higher stake in this election because decisions made by the government directly impact their workplaces. For example, women’s shelters, funding to universities etc.

**Treasury Board Bargaining**

PSAC has met with the Employer for 11 sets of bargaining since the five collective agreements covering our members under Treasury Board that expired in 2014.

In each session over the past two years we have made it clear that we are seeking improvements and not concessions in this round of bargaining.

Five of these meetings with the employer have occurred since the 2015 federal election.

Given the Liberals’ election promises, we expected this government to bring forward a new bargaining mandate. In fact, there was little indication of a change in approach.

While we welcome the recent announcement of legislation to repeal Bill C-4’s bargaining provisions this fall, including the restrictions on free collective bargaining, the right to strike, and essential services, we now urge the Liberal government to give its negotiator a Liberal mandate, not the old Conservative mandate.

They have offered only a 0.5% yearly wage increase, even though members of Parliament and senators received a base salary hike four times that much.

We are frustrated and disappointed that we did not see the movement we expected during our last bargaining session in September. We are close to the end of the road.

No future bargaining dates are planned at this time and we will be preparing our next steps. PSAC remains open to negotiations, but only if the employer will make substantive changes to their offer.

**Union of Taxation Employees**

The members of the Union of Taxation Employees reached a tentative agreement with the employer.

The bargaining team unanimously recommends ratification of the new agreement and the voting is currently taking place.

**Union of Graduate Student Workers**

Members of the Union of Graduate Student Workers at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton and Saint John have reached a tentative agreement on August 18, 2016.

**Union of Canadian Transportation Employees**

Sticking with the positive news, members of UCTE local 60605 who work at the Moncton Airport signed a new collective agreement on June 24. Their Brothers and Sisters who work for the Charlottetown Airport, UCTE local 60925 ratified their new collective agreement on September 7.

**8. Committee Reports**

**Human Rights Committee**

Brother Kelley read aloud the committee’s report. Recommendations were voted on separately.

Brother Di Liberatore asked for clarification as to why PSAC was not represented at the Truro Pride parade. This was a historic event as it was the very first parade to take place there and PSAC should have been visible.

Sister McLaughlin recognized that as there was no coordinator during that time and responsibility should be taken back to PSAC as a staff should have been assigned and Brother Di Liberatore is correct that it should have been recognized.

Brother Kelley, Director for GLBT members was in attendance at the Truro Pride, proudly carrying the PSAC Pride Flag. Brother Kelley walked alongside with members

Brother Sebastien Bezeau, Political Communications Officer directed attention to the PSAC Atlantic website, highlighting the Region’s featured events, HR activities, E-newsletter sent bi-weekly to our members to keep members informed of various events in the Region, like pride activities.

m/s Brother Kelley/Brother Lansdell

***Carried***

Recommendations, as per the committee:

Recommendation 1

That the Atlantic Region be the first region to introduce a neutral self-identification form to make it more inclusive.

m/s Brother Kelley/Brother Lansdell

***Carried***

**Resolution #1**

**Title: Gender Inclusive Practices**

**WHEREAS** PSAC has supported the inclusion of Gender identity and Gender expression in their policies; and

**WHEREAS** PSAC values and strives for inclusivity for all members especially those facing barriers in participation; and

**WHEREAS** this practice has been adopted in the Atlantic Region

**BE IT RESOLVED** that PSAC remove all reference to binary gender on self-identification forms and applications; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that PSAC identify and implement gender neutral term(s) when addressing those who do not identify as binary gender.

m/s Brother Kelley/Brother Lansdell

***Carried***

Recommendation 2

That the Atlantic Council develop a resolution to go to the Atlantic Convention and to the PSAC National Convention that all equity groups would get their fully funded regional conferences (GLBT, Access, Aboriginal and Women).

m/s Brother Kelley/Brother Lansdell

***Carried***

**Resolution #2**

**Title: Regional Equity Conferences**

**WHEREAS** Regionalization is at the core of PSAC’s approach to organization and issue resolution; and

**WHEREAS** the current regional structure does not permit or allow for networking of members within three of the five equity-seeking groups; and

**WHEREAS** Regional Racially Visible Conferences and Regional Women’s Conferences are already enshrined in the PSAC Constitution;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that PSAC National allocate the necessary resources and funds to organize regional conferences for each of the GLBT, Members with Disabilities and Aboriginal groups; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that each of the conference for GLBT members, Members with Disabilities and Aboriginal members be fully-funded in the same way as is the case with the Regional Racially Visible Conference.

Sister Doyle-LeBlanc pointed out that in the be it further resolved, that the Women’s conference should be included.

Brother Dunphy explained that the Human Rights Committee felt that the Women’s committee might want to put a similar resolution forward.

A/Coordinator, Sister McLaughlin clarified that PSAC National provides an allocated amount to each of the regions for conferences and in order to fully fund a conference it would depend on the number of participants brought in.

m/s Brother Kelley/Brother Lansdell

***Carried***

**Political Action Committee**

Brother Di Liberatore read aloud the report of the committee. The 2017 budget and recommendations were voted on separately.

m/s Brother Di Liberatore/Brother LeBlanc

***Carried***

Budget and Recommendations as per the committee:

**Review of 2017 Political Action Budget**

The committee presented the expenses for the 2016 fiscal year on a projector screen. In doing so it provided transparency and discussion on how to better utilize the budget.

Sister Bembridge recommended that the line item of $1,000 for Federation of Labour Conventions be placed in the Council budget as she feels it is not a political action item, it is to hold caucus meetings at Federation of Labour Conventions. If agreed the finance committee would include this line item in their budget presentation for the next council budget cycle. Brother Di Liberatore will change the budget to reflect fed labour conventions to zero and increase general funds to $4,550.

Brother Lansdell asked if PSAC Atlantic has contributed to school board elections. Sister Hodder explained that with regard to municipal elections etc. we refer to the CLC as they come up with targeted ridings. However, individual requests can be made and then the REVP would look into it.

Brother LaPierre asked if a copy of the Political Action expenditures can be provided in the council kits for each meeting. Sister Hodder advised that as acting REVP she has no problem with it, however, it is at the discretion of the REVP.

Brother LaPierre sought clarification about the spending approval for expenses outside of the adopted budget. Sister Hodder explained that the budget provides a base and it is adhered to as much as possible. She further explained that each time the REVP wanted to spend $100 here and there having to send an email each time to the committee and waiting for a vote of feedback is very timely.

Motion to accept the budget with recommended changes.

m/s Brother Di Liberatore/Brother LeBlanc

***Carried***

Recommendation 1

The committee recommends that Council drafts a resolution to the PSAC Atlantic Regional Convention to provide subsidies to locals for the purpose of assisting with the cost of registration to attend their respective Federation of Labour Convention.

m/s Brother Di Liberatore/Brother LeBlanc

***Carried***

Recommendation 2

The committee recommends that Council drafts a resolution that the National budget line item for Area Councils be increased to $90,000 per year. It is presently $47,000 per year which is split between the Area Councils in the Country.

m/s Brother Di Liberatore/Brother LeBlanc

***Carried***

**Women’s Committee Report**

Sister Doyle-LeBlanc read aloud the committees report. Recommendations were voted on separately.

m/s Sister Doyle LeBlanc/Sister Decker

***Carried***

Recommendations, as per the committee:

Recommendation 1

The organizing committee of the PSAC Atlantic Women’s Conference to include both women’s directors and the active chairpersons of all RWCs.

Sister McLaughlin explained that the calls would come from the conference budget, but felt this was possible. Brother Bezeau mentioned that skype could be used as it is free.

m/s Sister Doyle LeBlanc/Sister Decker

***Carried***

Recommendation 2

PSAC National will fully fund 1 director representing each equity group on Regional Council to attend the CLC Rise Up Conference. As there are 2 Regional Women’s Directors, the committee felt it was important to have both of the Women’s Directors attend. A request for funds to come from Sister Doyle LeBlanc’s Directors budget and access funds from the Council “Other Expenses” line item in order to attend the CLC Rise Up Conference. Sister Doyle LeBlanc provided an estimated cost on what this would cost.

Sister Hodder reviewed the request and identified expenses. Sister Murphy-Langille advised that funds are available from both the Director’s budget and the “other expenses” line item.

m/s Sister Decker/Sister Bembridge

***Carried***

**Health, Safety & Environment Committee Report**

Brother Oldford read aloud the report of the committee.

There were no recommendations.

m/s Brother Oldford/Brother LaPierre

***Carried***

**Education Committee Report**

Brother LaPierre read aloud the report of the committee.

The committee informed Council that the course Unionism of Turtle Island that was due to take place in the fall would be postponed because the Regional Education Officer was having trouble receiving facilitator notes. The anticipated date for the course will be in February 2017.

Brother Oldford asked if the CLC 2018 Union School would be going ahead as there haven’t been any information circulated.

Brother LaPierre explained that the dates are set, however, Alex Furlong with the CLC would have the answers. If CLC backs out, PSAC Atlantic will keep the same dates the CLC has booked to ensure our members don’t miss out in 2018 regardless.

Sister Hodder asked Brother Bezeau to contact Alex Furlong to see if he can meet at the next Regional Council Meeting to provide an update on the CLC 2018 School.

m/s Brother LaPierre/Sister Doucet

***Carried***

**Finance Committee Report**

Sister Bembridge read aloud the report of the committee and walked through the proposed budget for the 2018-2020 cycle along with 2017 Regional Convention Budget.

The budget documents were voted on separately.

m/s Sister Bembridge/Sister Buell

***Carried***

Proposed 2018-2020 Budget

Sister Bembridge explained that due to the large surplus, the National President advised that it needed to be spent on Convention. Sister Bembridge explained that because of budgeting process guidelines, the yearly surplus sits in the Council budget and there is no space for reallocation within the budget line items that were formally adopted at the Regional Convention.

Sister Bembridge reviewed the proposed Council budget step by step. She also explained that as per the adopted Political Action Budget to move the Federation of Labour line item in the amount of $1,000 to fall under the Regional Council Expenses. As such the finance committee will adjust the 2018-2020 budget to include an annual $1,000 line item for Federation of Labour. As a result of this change, another line item had to be reduced, therefor, the Council Meeting Expenses line item would be reduced by $1,000 each fiscal year for the 2018-2020 cycle.

Sister Bembridge also explained a regulation will need to be developed providing clear direction concerning the accessibility to the Directors Budget, particularly in the last year of the cycle. The regulation will speak to Director’s only having access to 50% of what is available to them in the last year of the cycle as they may not re-offer or may not be re-elected.

Due to the surplus, Finance is bringing a recommendation to Council to increase the annual Convention transfer allocation from $40,000 to $50,000.

Brother LaPierre sought clarification on the surplus. Sister Bembridge explained that the yearly surplus builds up for reasons such as Directors not spending their budget for example. As a result, 50% of the surplus is placed into Convention.

m/s Sister Bembridge/Brother Oldford

***Carried***

Convention 2017 Budget

Sister Bembridge reviewed the convention budget line by line.

Sister Bembridge explained that do to the conscientiousness of setting funds aside on an annual basis, the Atlantic is now in a position whereby we can almost fully fund the Convention.

The finance committee decided to utilize the same travel subsidy chart for mileage that was utilized for the previous Atlantic Convention. Hotels, incidentals and meals will be fully funded. However, salary will not be reimbursed.

In spite of the large funding for convention delegates, it was determined that the registration fee would be required. The cost of such a fee essentially covers off the kit bags received upon registration. Additionally, it is important to keep the registration fee consistent for all Regional Conventions.

Advances for delegates will be provided upon registration. Should there be delegates in a hardship situation, requests can be made to arrange an early advance.

It was also discussed that it is not likely that the Atlantic Region will be able to fund a Convention at this amount for years to come. This is a unique situation where the surplus had to be spent.

m/s Sister Bembridge/Brother Oldford

***Carried***

**9. Reports – REVP and Directors**

Reports of the REVP and Directors were adopted as a whole.

m/s Brother Di Liberatore/Brother Dunphy

***Carried***

**10. Next Meeting of the Atlantic Regional Council**

The only dates available for the next meeting of the Atlantic Council are April 21-23, 2017.

During this Council Meeting, the Convention Resolutions Committees will meet face to face to discuss concurrence and no-concurrence of the resolutions. Previously, these meetings were held via teleconference and an overwhelming amount of feedback showed teleconference was not as productive as face to face meetings.

Brother LaPierre proposed that the Council Meeting take place in Prince Edward Island. He explained that we have went to non-unionized facilities in the past and other components hold regional meetings on the Island at non-unionized facilities.

Sister Hodder explained she would require further clarification before a decision could be made, but understands the importance of being visible in every part of the region.

Sister McLaughlin produced a document from the PSAC Travel Policy identifying a section whereby it is up to the decision of the AEC Officer should a meeting be held at a non-unionized facility.

It was also identified by the chair of the finance committee that funds are available to hold council Meetings outside of Halifax as there is only a cost difference of a few thousand dollars, assuming meeting space and accommodations are similar.

Sister Hodder explained that if this is what the Council would like to do than she would ask Sister Murphy-Langille to contact the Delta Prince Edward about availability.

m/s Brother LaPierre/Brother Lansdell

***Carried***

**11. Regional Convention**

As mentioned in the discussion of the next Council Meeting, the Resolutions Committees will meet in April. The A/Coordinator along with the A/REVP will assign staff advisors to those committees shortly.

The Convention Organizing Committee provided a brief update on the business of the committee meeting held Thursday, September 29th. A theme has been determined which will be : It Starts With Us.

Deadlines for delegates applications, resolutions etc. have been determined and will be updated with the call letter that should be ready late November.

It was discussed that an email will be sent to the components to have them select their caucus time so we can include this information on the agenda, whereby making it easier for delegates to prepare.

Please think about guest speakers and submit any suggestions to the REVPs office (Katie or Sebastien).

Brother Lansdell suggested some keynote speakers such as; Bernie Sanders, Charlie Angus (NDP MP), Mary Walsh, Maude Barlow.

Sister Murphy-Langille will send email with deadline requesting ideas for guest speakers.

A brief update on the outcome of the Host Committee was provided by Sister Bembridge. The plan is to keep the locations similar to what they were at the previous Convention. Thursday night being meet and greet with Council but with a western theme. Friday night have a more formal event at the Delta Brunswick and Saturday nights event hosted in Market Square with the band Papa Roxxy.

**12. Municipal Election**

This item was covered in the opening remarks.

**13. Lynette Robinson**

The invited guest and RVP for USGE, Lynette Robinson is unavailable to speak to the Council and an invitation will be extended for her to attend the next meeting.

**14. PSAC Social Justice Fund in the Atlantic Region**

In the past the SJF would mail cheques of sponsorship/donation to various non-profit organizations in the Atlantic Region. However, Sister Hodder felt it was important for the Council Directors or the REVP to present these cheques personally, in a formal manner. In doing so, it makes PSAC Atlantic more accountable and makes the Atlantic Directors more visible.

**15. Bargaining Update**

This item was covered in the opening remarks.

**16. PSAC Canopy**

Brother Di Liberatore presented an image of a tent canopy with the BC logo. Brother Di Liberatore felt that a similar canopy with the PSAC Atlantic logo would be a great idea to have for outdoor events such as pride, labour day etc.

The logo canopy would cost $1,500. The proposal is to have one canopy in each of the 4 Regional Offices. However, the funds in the Political Action budget are limited and as such we would be able to purchase 2 in 2016 and then the other 2 in 2017.

The Regional Office does not have funds in their operational budget to access for such a purchase confirmed Sister McLaughlin.

Motion to purchase two out of the PAC budget for this year.

m/s Brother Di Liberatore/Brother LeBlanc

***Carried***

**17. Pride**

At Pride Moncton, PSAC had a pride flag at the end of the parade for allies and members of the GLBT community to sign in support of the Orlando GLBT community because of the June 2016 tragedy. There was an overwhelming amount of signatures. This flag was sent to Orlando.

**18. Hand-Out on Roles of Council Directors**

Brother Sebastien drafted a handout that can be left behind when directors attend various events. This handout is displayed on the website so that members can reach their council directors and be aware of the work they do.

**19. Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Art Display – February 2017**

A large collaborative art piece will be made available to the public through selected galleries and locations. Together the installation represents women; and it is paying respect to their lives and existence on this earth. They are not forgotten. They are sisters, mothers, aunties, daughters, cousins, grandmothers, wives and partners. They have been cared for, they have been loved, they are missing and they are not forgotten.

Sister Hodder submitted the funding request to Sister Magali Picard (AEC officer for NAPC) requesting some financial support which was approved in the amount of $2,000

Sister Geri LeBlanc spoke at the last NS 1 Area Council Meeting promoting the display and the Area Council donated $500.

The REVP’s office will advise Council when the display will be in the Atlantic Region. If funds are not achieved then the display will not be coming to Halifax.

**20. NBFL Youth Camp Video**

Brother Bezeau presented the short video he produced and edited while taking part as a leader at the NB Federation of Labour Blair Doucet Youth Camp.

**21. Phoenix Pay System**

This topic was covered in the opening remarks.

Sister Hodder advised there is a page dedicated to Phoenix on the PSAC National Website.

**22. PSAC Email Account**

Due to the migration from GroupWise to Outlook there have been some difficulties with PSAC email accounts for the Directors that hold a psac email address.

**23. Other Items**

**DCL**

Brother Oldford asked why Jennifer Bury was hired by PSAC to work with and provide a report about servicing the DCL’s in the Region and explained as a DCL Director that he was not aware this was happening.

Sister McLaughlin explained that a discussion between Sister Gaby Levesque (Regional Coordinator) & Sister Jeannie Baldwin (REVP) was held about hiring Jennifer to review the service agreements for DCL’s. Sister McLaughlin explained that as soon as the report was received in her hands it was then sent to Brother Oldford and Brother Bennett as the Directors responsible for these members within 24hrs.

Sister Jennifer Burry was not hired to provide recommendations, however, she did so within her report. Some of her recommendations are good and PSAC will follow through with those recommendations.

Brother Oldford asked about training in the 2016 year for DCL’s and if there is a budget available.

Sister McLaughlin reached out to Sister Goguen – Rep responsible for DCL’s. Sister Goguen advised that there is $17,000 available in the budget for training and as such we will look into providing DCL training with those available funds.

Sister Hodder explained that the DCL training will be determined as soon as possible and in consultation with the 2 directors responsible for DCL’s.

**Inclusion of Directors at Regional Events**

Brother Lansdell explained that he would like to be more visible to his members and as such would like to attend training sessions that occur in is area. For example, attend a TUB course as a guest to provide opening remarks and greetings on behalf of PSAC.

Sister Hodder concurred that this is a good idea to be visible to the membership as long as it doesn’t take away from valuable training time and assuming it is a reasonable cost to attend and funds are available out of the Director’s budget.

Sister McLaughlin explained that the staff delivering the training would need to be aware if a Council Director intends to drop into a training session as this would need to be built into their course agenda.

**Resolution to the National Equity Conference**

Brother Dunphy presented the following resolution to Council so as to have it passed and forwarded up to PSAC National for the National Equity Conference.

**TITLE: THE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION OF CANADA'S RECOMMENDATION FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING FOR PUBLIC SERVANTS**

**ORIGINATOR: ABORIGINAL ACTION CIRCLE**

 **LANGUAGE OF ORIGIN: ENGLISH**

**WHEREAS**The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC) issued 94 Calls to Action on diverse topics including child welfare, education, language & culture, health, justice, implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples & the development of a Royal Proclamation & Covenant of Reconciliation.

**WHEREAS**TRC Call to Action #57 calls on Parliament to educate public servants on the history of Aboriginal Peoples, including the history and legacy of residential schools, the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,*Treaties & Aboriginal rights, Indigenous law, & Aboriginal–Crown relations.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**that the PSAC immediately communicate with the Treasury Board of Canada, & its relevant provincial and territorial counterparts, that the PSAC is to be included in all aspects in the implementation of Call to Action #57;

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**that the PSAC begin a process of consultation with our membership to establish what training needs & requirements are to fulfill #57.

m/s Brother Dunphy/Brother Kelley

***Carried***

**Accommodations**

In-Camera Session was held.

**Roundtable**

Roundtable discussion was held.

Winter clothing drive in Cal Best boardroom, items to be brought in before October 28th.

Sister Lori Walton announced that she will be offering for REVP at the 2017 Atlantic Regional Convention.

Sister Hodder gave a warm thank you to the PSAC staff, guests, translators, technician, hotel staff and to all the Directors for taking the time from their busy schedules to be at the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.