Report to the PSAC Atlantic Regional Council

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| **Name:**  Joey Dunphy | **Date:**  November 2017 to June 2018 |
| **Constituency (area, equity, etc.):** Aboriginal Director | |
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| **Activities since the last Regional Council meeting** | |
| **Activity** | **How it fulfilled my role on the Regional Council** |
| November 2nd, 6th and 21st  Public Interest Commission | I attended the Public Interest Commission in Ottawa as a member of the FB Bargaining team |
| November 29th  NAPC meeting | I attended the morning session of the National Aboriginal People Circle meeting in Ottawa. During that time, we had a guest speaker attend to see how departments can do a better job to hire more Indeginous in Canada. |
| November 30th to December 3rd  PSAC National Leadership Trainning | I attended the National Leadership Training in Ottawa. This provided me with the opportunity to network with union activists from Coast to Coast to Coast. During the summit I attended for the second time a Blanket exercise, after the session it re-affirmed the need to educate public servants on Indigenous issues as per call to action #57 of the TRC. |
| December 4th and 5th  PSAC National Human Rights Committee meeting | I participated in the National Human Rights Committee/Aboriginal Working group. During this meeting we were provided an update on the progress of the Canada School of Public Service, with regard to their learning program for call to action #57 of the TRC. |
| January 28  Lunch and Learn | I was invited by USJE local in Miramichi to participate in a lunch and learn about PSAC Thirsty for Justice Campaign. Unfortunately due to bad weather I wasn’t able to attend. |
| February 16 to 23rd  Pre-Convention Committee | I attended the PSAC pre-convention Finance committee in Ottawa. |
| February 26 to March 2nd  CBSA Indegineous Secretariat Meeting | I attended the inaugural meeting of the CBSA Indigenous Secretariate in Rigaud, QC. This was a very interesting meeting, we touched on an number of topics such as Indigenous people crossing the border (Jay Treaty), recruitment and retention. In CBSA for every 1 Indeginous that is hired, two leaves the agency. |
| March 6th  CBSA/CIU Blanket Exercise | In my quest to have members of the public service educated on Indeginous issues, I had the Atlantic Senior Leadership of CBSA and the three Branch presidents to participate in a blanket exercise. The feedback I received was wonderful. They gave me their approval to do 2-3 blanket exercise in the Atlantic around National Aboriginal Day. |
| March 19 to the 28th  Collective Bargaining | I attended the FB bargaining session in Ottawa, I am glad to report that CIU (FB group) has reached a tentative agreement. Finally, the FB group is recognized as law enforcement. |
| April 30th to May 4th  PSAC National Convention | I had the honor and priviledge to introduce the Elder for the opening ceremony. I am glad to report back that we passed a resolution that will have the PSAC NBoD attend Indeginous training (Similar to Unionism on Turtle Island). We also changed the word from Aborignal to Indeginous in the Constitution. |
| May 7th to 17  FB Ratification Vote | I travelled the Atlantic Provinces to do ratification sessions for FB members about the Tentative Agreement. |
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| **Challenges you had to cope with since the last meeting** | |
| N/A | |
| **What would you like to work on next?** | |
| Continue my quest to have Federal Public Servants educated on Indeginous issues (TRC call to action #57). I will also continue to work on PSAC Thirsty for Justice Campaign. | |