

**Atlantic Regional Council
Political Action Committee Teleconference
January 12, 2016**

Present: Mike LeBlanc, Neville David, Chris Di Liberatore, Steve Johnson, Jeannie Baldwin (REVP) and Sebastien Bezeau (staff advisor)

Regrets: Joey Dunphy

1- 2016 PAC Budget

The committee reviewed each line item and didn't make any changes. The budget will be presented at the upcoming Council meeting and Sebastien will provide Brother Di Liberatore with background information for specific line items.

Recommendation: That the 2016 budget be adopted as presented.

2-Municipal Elections in NS and NB

General discussion on the CLC's Municipalities Matters Campaign. The campaign was launched in New Brunswick on December 8, 2015 and there will be three regional committees in the following cities: Saint John, Fredericton and Moncton. The campaign will be launched in Nova Scotia in late January 2016 with invitation to Labour Councils.

3-Forum of Chairpersons of the Atlantic

General discussion around the upcoming Forum of Committee Chairpersons of the Atlantic. Members of the committee confirmed their attendance to this important meeting. Sebastien provided a quick overview of the goals and objectives of the forum.

4-Guatemala project update

Sister Lynette Robinson was selected in our region for the PSAC Education in Action which will be taking place in February 11-25, 2016.

5-Other

Brother David wanted to have a general update on Bill 148 that was adopted by the Nova Scotia government. Brother Di Liberatore provided an update and also advised committee members that he made a presentation to the law amendments committee on behalf of PSAC-Atlantic.

Respectfully Submitted,

Members of the Political Action Committee