

**PSAC NRC Minutes of the Health and Safety Committee
May 17, 2017 – Gatineau Regional Office**

Present

Imre Bene (Chair), Sylvie Leblanc, Dennis Mah, Robert Basque (Secretary), Edith Knopp, , Kim Haeck, Gary Bosloy, Behiye Cinkilic, Joanne Robinson, Andre Miller, Carole Garneau, Pat St-Georges, Rhea Sandy, Marc Béland (PSAC Rep).

Regrets

Carla Ross, Shelley Anderson, Denise Camus, Helene de Repentigny, Shawn King, Yagusha Bodner.

Call to Order

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

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was moved by Robert, 2nd by Behiye, approved.

Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the April meeting was moved by Bob, 2nd by Edith, approved.

Old Agenda Item

Eco Responsibility

Andre mentioned that he's requesting support from the committee in an effort to submit a proposal to:

- 1) Ban the use of bottled water in any of the events organized by PSAC,
- 2) Reduce the amount of paper distributed in any events organized by PSAC.

Andre, Behiye and Rhea, as a sub-committee, will review these issues and prepare a proposal for review by the committee.

H&S Banner - update

Marc mentioned that the committee's recommendation are with the graphic team who will complete the sample as per committee's decision.

ODLC – H&S Conference

4 members of the committee have express an interest in attending this event, the committee will consider covering the cost of the registration for these members. Members will need to submit a claim to the Chair once they have registered for the event.

A motion from Andree, seconded by Gary, proposed that the committee covers the cost of registration, accepted by all.

PSAC NCR Triennial Convention

The Chair expressed his thanks to both Gary and Kim for manning the H&S table at the Convention.

Sylvie was voted in as a member at large, she will work on a proposal so that AED's are available in every federal building where our members are employed.

Rhea was voted in as alternate REVP.

Round Table

Denis mentioned that the committee was well represented at the day of mourning events. He took several pics.

Pat, Carole and Behiye will form a sub-committee to review the issue of injury on duty pay and how we can strengthen the language in our collective agreements so no employee suffers financial hardship while waiting for decision from WSIB or GECA. Proposal could be submitted via OAC.

Andre raised the issue of first responders' training/first-aiders during conventions. He's wondering if PSAC provides training or awareness.

Marc inquired as to whether the committee should play a role in informing our members of the health risk associated with flooding, whether it's mental health or physical health.

Next Meeting

June 21, 2017 at Ottawa Regional Office.

Adjournment

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