

**Yukon Area Council  
Minutes of March 30, 2006 Meeting**

Roll call of officers:

Name	Position	Attendance
Brent Mekelburg	President	Regrets
Max Fraser	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	X
Jean-Francois Des Lauriers	REVP North	Phone
Wayne Emery	Treasurer	Regrets
Sylvie Leonard	Secretary	X
Laurie Butterworth	President, YEU	X
Melissa Craig	Pride Committee	X
Kim Paradis	Regional Women's Committee	X
Nancy Debrecini	Staff	Phone
Rick Grant	Y010 representative	X

1. Review and adoption of agenda.
  - a. Moved by Rick seconded by Melissa
  - b. Changes – add Day of mourning as item D new business
  - c. carried with modifications
  
2. Minutes of last meeting -
  - a. Moved by Laurie seconded by Sylvie
  - b. no changes
  - c. carried
  
3. Brent's leave of absence
  - a. Letter attached, will be out of the territory until September. Wanted Max to act in his absence, Max cannot due to peculiar situation.
  
4. Reports:
  - a. President – no report
  - b. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President: procedures to elect new 1<sup>st</sup> VP
    - i. Moved by Max, seconded by Sylvie
    - ii. Business discussed: by laws regarding procedure in case of vacancy. Anyone can run, only a delegate at last AGM would vote. Sylvie will do with help from Laurie. 1<sup>st</sup> step is a call for nomination. Decision to place newspaper ads to announce an opening for running for office. Someone from affiliated locals? Will ask Shawna to send notice via email. Nominations to be “received in the Whitehorse PSAC Regional office” by 4:00 pm on Friday April 21. Nominators and seconders must have been delegates to last AGM. List to be provided by Shawna. Mail – in

balloting process to be completed by Friday May 12, received in the Whitehorse PSAC Regional Office

- iii. carried
- c. Treasurer – no report – Wayne asked please send around a written financial report.
- d. Political Action Committee
  - i. Moved by Max, seconded by Rick
  - ii. Business discussed: conducted political education campaign during the last Federal election, information distributed and received. Coming up the Territorial and Municipal, no proposals at this time. The YFL is talking about education campaign. Laurie sent a letter to JF requesting cash for the Yukon for the next Territorial election, attached was a proposed budget. JF will check into that and get back to Laurie. Item to be brought forward at next meeting for discussion.  
Federal Child Care agreement, the Yukon Government chose not to sign on so there is no deal with the new conservative Government. Rush to sign the petition before Monday April 3. JF will resend web page to Laurie, Melissa and Shawna who will place on the PSAC north and do an email blast.
  - iii. carried
- e. Regional Women's Committee
  - i. Moved by Kim, seconded by Laurie.
  - ii. Business discussed: Kim read the report, to be attached to the minutes.
  - iii. carried
- f. Health & Safety Committee
  - i. Moved by Laurie, seconded by Rick
  - ii. Business discussed: holding another meeting before Easter to address workers memorial, involved in WCB act review and OH&S Regs passed. Training on new OH&S regs. Return to work training (YFL). WCC workplace safety issue demo re shift change.
  - iii. carried
- g. Pride Committee
  - i. Moved by Melissa, seconded by Sylvie
  - ii. Business discussed: contact with BYTE to change the education system to be more inclusive toward GLBT issue, will participate in the end of May conference, safe space sticker, bank account set up. National anti-homophobia is at the end of May. Laurie suggested Melissa provide material for the May YEU newsletter.
  - iii. Carried
- h. Alliance Facilitator Network – no report
- i. Local reports. No reports.

5. Old business

- a. Outstanding funds from PSAC North. Kim Bailey? has consolidated some financial aspect of PSAC North and JF will be releasing some funds shortly.
- b. Budget, Resolutions and Review Committee, bring forward to next meeting.

6. New business

- a. Child care workers – Wayne (Max in his absence) – Child Care Labour Force request for letter of support and financial contribution. Laurie moves that the YAC gives \$500 to the Yukon Child Care group, seconded by Rick. Carried.
- b. Workers memorial – Wayne (Max and Laurie in his absence) – Proposal of \$2000 for Workers Memorial in collaboration with YFL and others. Laurie moves, Rick seconded (from reserved fund). Laurie has a picture of a mock up of the memorial done by local artist (Biela Simo). Life size model to be used on April 28 at YTG building, Sculpture would be permanently built on the river front or other good location. Day of mourning pins to be made and distributed. Everyone that was injured on the job in the last year has been asked to attend and participate in the event.
- c. Social Justice Fund Event – Melissa –Event was held during International Women’s Day event (Saturday March 4), a pottery workshop held at Arts Undergrounds, got 16 pottery pieces, will be fired and displayed (potential October 17). In conjunction, Melissa set up a display at Max’s Fireweed window for the week. Melissa will email the report to Sylvie for distribution. Laurie moved that YAC gives \$250 to complete the project for the firing and proper hanging for the display, seconded by Rick.

Laurie announced that we have our first Collective Agreement in the Yukon that has Social Justice Fund attached to it. Everyone is very excited, about \$20 per member per year to contribute to the National fund.

- d. Day of mourning – Max – April 28, will be an event, more information will be provided closer to the day.
- e. Moved by Max, seconded by Laurie, to appoint Rick to act as VP ProTemp until the election is held and completed.

7. Next meeting – Thursday May 25, 5:15 PM at the Dave Hobbis Boardroom.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40.

Minutes taken by Sylvie Leonard