



United for Action

PSAC North 4th Triennial Convention

Yellowknife, NT • May 30 – June 1, 2008

AGENDA

Wednesday, May 28

- **Registration** (*Foyer – Explorer Hotel*) 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Thursday, May 29

- **Registration** (*Foyer – Explorer Hotel*) 7:00 am – 9:00 am
- **Convention Training** (*Explorer Hotel Salon A & Salon B*) 7:00 am – 8:00 am



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Thursday, May 29

1.0	Opening Remarks	8:30 am
	<i>Jean-François Des Lauriers, REVP</i>	
2.0	Moment of Silence	8:50 am
3.0	PSAC Statement on Harassment	
4.0	Introduction of Plenary Guest Speaker	8:55 am
5.0	Guest Speaker	9:10 am
	<i>Denis St-Jean, PSAC National Health & Safety Officer - Health & Safety: History and Responsibilities</i>	
6.0	Break	10:00 am
7.0	Continuation of Guest Speaker	10:15 am
8.0	Facilitated Survey	11:00 am
9.0	Lunch	11:30 am
10.0	AFN National Day of Action Event	12:00 pm
11.0	Guest Speaker	1:30 pm
	<i>Anne Clark, President Workers Safety & Compensation Commission - Changes and Outreach to Workers</i>	
12.0	Question Period	2:00 pm
13.0	Guest Speaker	2:15 pm
	<i>Deb Simpson, NT/NU Worker Advisor - The Role of the Worker Advisor</i>	
14.0	Question Period	2:45 pm
15.0	Break – Trade Show	3:00 pm
16.0	Closing Remarks	4:00 pm
17.0	Closing Remarks	4:30 pm
	<i>Patty Ducharme, PSAC National Executive Vice-President</i>	
18.0	Adjournment	4:30 pm



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Friday, May 30

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- **Convention Training** (*Explorer Hotel- Salon A & Salon B*)7:30 am – 8:30 am
- 1.0 Convention Call to Order**.....9:00 am
- 2.0 Opening Prayer**
Elder Francois Paulette
- 3.0 Welcome to Yellowknife**
Ndilo Chief Fred Sangris
- 4.0 Introductions**
 - 3.1 Harassment Coordinators
 - 3.2 PSAC North Executive
 - 3.3 Host Committee
 - 3.4 Staff
 - 3.5 Guests
- 4.0 Ratification of Credentials Committee**
- 5.0 Report of Credentials Committee**
- 6.0 Ratification of Hours of Session**
- 7.0 Adoption of Agenda**
- 8.0 Administration and Housekeeping**
 - 8.1 PSAC Statement on Harassment
 - 8.2 PSAC Statement on Scent-Free Environments
 - 8.3 Solidarity Forever – *Chris Powell*
- 9.0 Opening Address**
Jean-François Des Lauriers, REVP
- 10.0 Adoption of Rules Order**
- 11.0 Ratification of Appointments to Committees**
 - 11.1 Convention Committee
 - 11.2 By-Laws and General Resolutions Committee



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- 11.3 Finance Committee
- 11.4 Nomination Committee

12.0 Break	10:15 am
13.0 Referral of Convention Business to Appropriate Committees	
14.0 Composite Report of Officers	
14.1 Jean-François Des Lauriers, Regional Executive Vice-President, PSAC North	
15.0 Guest Speaker	11:30 am
<i>Bill Erasmus, Dene National Chief</i>	
16.0 Lunch	12:00 pm
17.0 “Think Public” Rally	12:45 pm – 2:00 pm
18.0 Report of Credentials Committee	2:00 pm
19.0 Reports of Convention Committees	
20.0 Break	3:30 pm
21.0 Reports of Convention Committees (Continued)	
22.0 Recess for Evening	5:00 pm



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Saturday, May 31

23.0 Call to Order8:30 am

24.0 Report of Credentials Committee

25.0 Reports of Convention Committees (*Continued*)

Social Justice Workshop

26.0 Introduction of Panelists & Update on Social Justice in the North9:30 am
Jean-François Des Lauriers, REVP

27.0 National Update on Social Justice Fund9:45 am
Todd Parsons, President, Union of Northern Workers

28.0 Impact of Coal Mining on Aboriginal Communities in Colombia10:05 am
Helen Berry, PSAC National Office

29.0 Defending Quality Public Services in Colombia10:20 am
Geoff Ryan, PSAC North Nunavut Territorial Director

30.0 Break10:35 am

31.0 Video Presentation “*Looking for Justice*”10:50 am
Louise Casselman, PSAC National Office

32.0 Open Forum on Social Justice with Delegates11:00 am

33.0 Closing11:40 am

34.0 Lunch11:45 am

Defending Quality Public Services Workshop

35.0 Report of the Credentials Committee 1:00 pm

36.0 Guest Speaker 1:05 pm
John Gordon, PSAC National President

37.0 Introduction of Guests (Roundtable) 1:35 pm
Nancy Peel, Native Women’s Association
Arlene Hache, Centre for Northern Families



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Cecily Hewitt, Disabled Council
Ben MacDonald, Alternatives North

38.0	Roundtable	1:45 pm
39.0	Question & Answer Period	2:30 pm
40.0	Guest Speaker	2:45 pm
	<i>Dennis Bevington, MP Western Arctic, NDP</i>	
41.0	Break	3:00 pm
42.0	DQPS Contest Introduction & Explanation	3:15 pm
43.0	Adjournment	4:00 pm

Banquet will be held at the Explorer Hotel – Katimavik Rooms
Cocktails beginning at 6:30 pm

Sunday, June 1

44.0	Call to Order	9:00 am
45.0	Report of Credentials Committee	
46.0	Election of Officers	
	46.1 Regional Executive Vice President	
	46.2 Alternate Regional Executive Vice President	
47.0	Election of Territorial Directors (in Territorial Caucuses)	
	47.1 Yukon	
	47.2 Northwest Territories	
	47.3 Nunavut	
48.0	Reports of Convention Committees (continued)*	
49.0	Late Resolutions	
50.0	Adjournment	finish of business or 5 pm

* Note: Convention Committee Reports will continue while ballots are being counted. Recesses will be declared by the Chairperson.