

**Kingston Area Council Meeting
February 09, 2012
Kingston Regional Office
Kingston, Ontario**

Meeting called to order at 6:45 pm

Roll Call

Ralf Bucherer	President	UCTE Local 00056
Laura Eastcott	Treasurer	UNDE Local 00641
Richard McNeill	1 st Vice	USGE Local 00016
Christo Aivalis	2 nd Vice	DCL 901
Janet Lisk	Secretary	UCTE Local 00056
Michelle Poirer		UVAE Local 00012
Maryanne Laurico		DCL 901
Paul Chaves		USGE Local 00103
Linda Cross		PSAC Staff Rep

Adoption of the Agenda

m/s/c Michelle/Richard

Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meeting

m/s/c Richard/Christo

There is going to be changes made to WSIB and components should be made aware of these changes.

Old Business

a/ There is an extension for the deadline of the signing of the petition to Tony Clement until the end of February.

B/ Stewards Assemblies: The assembly in Kingston had a very good attendance. The assembly in Pembroke will be held on February 11th.

Pension Campaign

Pensions are on the table AGAIN!!

E-mail Minister Flaherty "Hands off our Pensions". Talk with our members to make phone calls and/or e-mails and letters to Minister Flaherty.

Twenty one MP offices were occupied by Senior Pensioners across the province today.

Retiree associations are: APSAR (association of Public Service Alliance Retirees) and FSN (Federal Superannuation).

New Business

a/ Sister Eastcott brought forward a motion to donate \$25.00 to the Migrant Workers Fund that were killed in an accident in south western Ontario.

m/s/c Laura/Christo

It was suggested that the Ontario Area Council petition PSAC to make a donation to the Social Justice Fund.

b/ Sister Eastcott also made a motion to donate \$50.00 to CAW local 27 from the Caterpillar Plant in Hamilton.

m/s/c Christo/Richard

c/ Sister Eastcott also put forward a motion that the members of the Ontario Council put forward a motion to the Ontario Council to petition the PSAC to make a donation to the Social Justice Fund.

m/s/c Laura/Christo

d/ Brother Singleton retired last year. He has been an union activist for the last 33 years. Br. Bucherer would like to have a dinner/gift for Br. Singleton on behalf of the Area Council. A restaurant in Napanee will be contacted and a plaque purchased. It was suggested to attain three dates from Br. Singleton as soon as Sr. Cross finds out about the plaque. Council will purchase a "gas card" in the amount of \$50.00 as a gift.

m/s/c Laura/Ralf

e/ A workshop will be held on the 10th March and sr. Maki Local901(brought forward by Br. Aivalis) would like the council to make a donation. Feminism For Change In Resistance Movement. Br. Christo put forward a motion for the area council to donate \$75.00.

m/s/c Christo/Richard

d/ WSIB changes are coming! Br. Richard will bring the council the information he received. Be aware.

e/ Area Council will need another tent for the events that are planned for this year. Br. McNeill put forward a motion that the Area Council will spend up to \$600.00 to purchase a new tent.

m/s/c Richard/Michelle

An anchoring system will have to found for the new tent.

Event Planning

The events will be Buskers, Blues Festival and the Santa Claus Parade. Labour Day will be included. Sr. Cross has contacts for a band that would cost approx. \$350. at full cost.

The Buskers Festival will cost \$350.00 a day or \$1000.00 for the week including advertising and a space in the park. The same applies for the Blues Festival. In both cases the \$1000 includes ad space in about 60,000 brochure/program pamphlets as well as advertising on the website for the respective events.

Next meeting will be held on April 12th in Trenton.

Meeting Adjourned