

**Kingston Area Council Minutes of the Meeting held on October 10, 2013**  
**PSAC Kingston Regional Office**  
**Kingston, Ontario**

Call to order: 1830 by VP Rej Bruneau

Attendees:

Ralph Burcher	President	UCTE Local 00056
Rej Bruneau	Vice President	UNDE Local 641
Peggy Jones	Treasurer	DCL Local 818
Ed Jones		DCL Local 818
Christo Aivalis		DCL Local 901 (TA)
Martin J. Smaglinski		UNDE Local 641
Richard McNeil		USGE Local 00016
Paul Chaves		USGE Local 0103
Michelle Poirier		UVAE Local 00013
Phil Trottier		PSAC Retired
Janet Lisk		PSAC Retired
Linda Cross		PSAC RO office

Regrets: Sheri Robinson (Secretary), Jacquie Whyman

Note: Recorder: Michelle Poirier, in the absence of Secretary

Previous Minutes of September 11, 2013: No omissions, corrections, deletions.

Motion to approve previous minutes – by Phil Trottier, seconder: Ed Jones – Motion carried

Agenda for October 10, 2013: No additions

Financial Report:

Balance as of October 10, 2013: \$8122.

Claims to be submitted for expenses for swag purchased for this year. Refunds pending the submission of invoices/receipts.

Old Business arising from previous minutes:

Labor Day – turn out less than predicted from member components – public appreciated potatoes and fruits bags and petitions popular

Buskers and Blues – turn out less than predicted from member components. Petitions were popular.

Founders Day – Invitation has the incorrect date.

Kingston Penitentiary – closing ceremony still being planned (no invitation sent to PSAC President yet).

Still much work to be done on staff positions and reassignments. USGE is looking at local re-organization – Union work such as grievances, being administered as usual.

Food Drive: Details at next meeting. Drop off at Kingston RO office and bring items at next meeting.

Grocery store on HWY 15 is willing to participate. PSAC Members may approach grocery owners for permission. Donations may be collected at work, with permission of employer. At Public Collection points: Can use PSAC or component flags, wear 'All affected' T-Shirts.

Recipients from donations discussed. Consensus reached: Any financial donations received to be donated to Women's shelter (Interval House). Any food donations received to go to Local Food bank. Food bags to be distributed amongst Locals.

Reg Bruneau and Richard McNeill are committee members

Food Bags - error in printing web site on the bags – should read: <http://kingstonpsac.ca/hunger>

PSAC RO Training schedule: trying to set up a grievance handling for the spring. Advanced courses run every 3 yrs.

Take Back the Night – Many of the Women's Committee members turned out as well as President of KAC. 6 speakers present. Mary Rita Holland NDP – provincial candidate, present as well.

#### New Business:

DCL Local 818 Elections: Tom Taylor: President, Ed Jones: 1st Vice and Peggy Jones: Secretary.

NDP Fund raiser for Kingston and the Island Riding: Nov 1 (Friday) at Olympic Harbour with Peggy Sadler is guest speaker. Dinner: \$160/person of which \$83 is tax deductible. \$1200/table.

Motion for KAC to provide \$600 towards the cost of a full table with Locals to fill remainder of costs (\$600): by Richard McNeill, seconder: Martin Smaglinski. Motion carried

Deadline from Locals: need list of names of who is attending, by next Friday, Oct 18 via email to Richard at: mcneillrf@csc-scc.gc.ca

Historic Canals Cruise – information pamphlets distributed.

PSAC/Veterans against cuts campaign last week – You Tube video available – please distribute.

Kingston Oliver Doyle banquet (activist from the Steel Workers) banquet – activist banquet recognition. Friday, Nov 22. \$35/each. Locals can nominate – see list of available nominations.

#### Round Table:

DCL 901: Young workers committee still organizing. Hard to find participants. Report of issues of young workers is being developed. OFL Kingston is considering to fund ½ the cost of one delegate from Young Workers. DCL 901 (TAs) is bargaining right now. DCL 901 (Post-Docs) bargaining is in conciliation (requesting benefits – dental coverage).

UVAE Local 00013: employees that were surplus are being rehired as 'casual contract' to backfill positions that are vacant from maternity or long-term disability. Some delays with processing costs for relocating employees have been reported.

UNDE Local 641– Business Case Plan to be developed for cleaners. LMRC – should have more military members present. Video from CKWS available. \$1.2B being cut from DND. WFA results for far: one opting member, 6 members @ CR5 at HR – no losses at this time.

WP4 at UNDE willing to opt – member is registered on opting list.

Motion to adjourn @ 2040 – by Paul Chaves, second: Martin Smaglinski. Motion carried.

Next meeting: Nov 14, at 1830.

