

**Kingston Area Council Minutes of the Meeting held on
January 9, 2014
PSAC Kingston Regional Office
Kingston, Ontario**

Call to order: 1830hrs by Pres Bucherer

Attendees:

Ralf Bucherer	President	UCTE Local 00056
Rej Bruneau	Vice President	UNDE Local 641
Peggy Jones	Treasurer	DCL 818
Sheri Robinson	Secretary	USGE Local 00016
Martin J. Smaglinski		UNDE Local 641
Richard McNeill		USGE Local 00016
Phil Trottier		PSAC Retired
Janet Lisk		PSAC Retired
Serge Abbott		Agriculture Local 978
Michelle Poirier		UVAE 00013

Regrets:

Jacquie Whyman
Ed Jones
Paul Chaves
Doug Nesbitt

Agenda motioned by Br. Smaglinski, seconded by Br. Abbott, and passed
Minutes from previous meeting motioned by Br. McNeill, seconded by Sr.
Jones, and passed
Minutes outstanding from October 10, 2013 motioned by Sr. Jones,
seconded by Br. McNeill and passed

Donations: SEIU Richmond Hill in support of PSW's in the amount of \$100.

Political Action Dinner

This dinner is for USGE locals only, it will be held January 30, 2014, it will be a buffet style meal with locals covering their members meals and USGE in Ottawa covering the meals of spouses/guests. Locals should be providing names of 20-30 members from their sites. Br. McNeill is organizing this so please submit names/numbers to him. It is hoped that some swag can be used as door prizes.

Political Action

Nothing has been heard back from PSAC Ontario in regards to greeting the ministers when they come back to parliament on January 27, 2014. It is felt that regardless of what PSAC Ontario does we should do something. Canada Coach bus would be about \$1234. Br. McNeill will contact USGE and KDLC to see if they want to participate and/or contribute.

Food Drive Committee Report

USGE did some donations but due to so many employers doing things that it wasn't very effective. UVAE collected and dropped off 20 bags at the Partners in Mission food bank. We thought maybe Easter would be a good time to do one and Sandy Singer agreed that it was a good idea. If we do a food drive in one of the smaller communities like Napanee, Gananogue, Peterborough or Trenton we might get more publicity. Bags are our advertisement venue so we should be giving bags out to non-union people so they see the positive contributions make to their community.

Budget 2014

Buskers – for 2 days Friday/Saturday

Blues – 4 days Thurs-Sun

Labour Day – Potatoes and apples were well received, UNDE will do popcorn and cotton candy again.

Other suggestions: Trenton Sidewalk sale, Frankfort Blues, Belleville Waterfront Festival, Campbellford Waterfront Festival, Hastings Waterfront Festival

Add budget to website

Deadline for budget is 22 January 2014

Sr. Poirier motioned that be purchase a button maker so that we can produce some of our own swag. Br. Smaglinski seconded it and it was passed.

Locals were reminded to pay their locals yearly dues. If locals want some of our swag then they can purchase for our cost. Sr. Jones to send costs to Kelly at the Regional Office.

PSAC Ontario Convention

The deadline for delegates is February 14, 2014. It will be held in Mississauga this year from June 6-8, 2014. Br. McNeill nominated Sr. Robinson and Br. Abbott as an alternate, Br. Bucherer seconded and it was passed.

Roundtable

We received a Thank you card from the NDP for attending their Political Dinner. We also received a thank you card from Interval House.

UNDE elections were held last night, executive stayed the same except for the loss of one chief steward.

Next meeting Wednesday February 12, 2014.