

Kingston Area Council
February 10, 2011
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was held at the Kingston PSAC Regional Office in Kingston and was called to order at 19:00 hours.

Roll Call

Ralf Bucherer – President- UCTE local 00056
Laura Eastcott – Treasurer – UNDE local 00641
Chris Snooks - 1st Vice – UNDE local 00641
Janet Lisk – Secretary – UCTE local 00056
Richard McNeill – USGE local 00016
Jeff Welsh – DCL 901
MaryAnne Laurico – DCL 901
John Singleton – AGR local 00026

Absent – Randy Skeggs 2nd Vice

Regrets – Ed Jones, Cindy Lavalee, Denis Milluck

Staff Representative – Loraine Diaper

Guest – Phil Trottier

President Bucherer mentioned the letter that was sent to Randy Skeggs on January 24th asking br. Skeggs what his intentions are concerning the position he holds on the area council because of poor attendance. No response has been received from br. Skeggs to this date.

Corrections/Omissions to the January 20, 2011 Meeting

Br. McNeill stated that in the minutes of January 20, it reads that br. Richard will also attain the addresses of all the local presidents in our area. The correction is that he will contact all the USGE local presidents in our area.

Adoption of Minutes from January 20, 2011

m/s/c Chris Snooks/ Laura Eastcott

Old Business

Union Day

Sr. MaryAnne Laurico presented the council with a new logo. It is a draft, black & white and easy to produce. Everyone is pleased with the lay-out of the logo. A colour choice will have to be decided. Sr. MaryAnne will have the logo in two or three different colours for br. Ralf, br. Richard and sr. Laura to make a decision on when they meet on the 24th of February in time for hand out cards for Union Day at Queen's U.

It was suggested that we have a web site address of some kind to have printed on the back of these cards that will contain a statement from our by-laws as to what the area council stands for.

A web site for the area council was also discussed as to location of the site and who would maintain it. The council would have to look into the PSAC by-laws to ensure that the council can maintain a web site. Therefore, the contact information on the back of the card will be a phone number where the council can be contacted. It was also suggested that the council open up a face book page. Br. Bucherer will ask PSAC (Byron) if the area council can have a permanent e-mail address linked to their page.

Union Day is taking place on the 16th of March at Queen's University's Wallace Hall at the John Deutsch Centre. There is an open house session between 11:00 and 15:00 where tables will be manned for swag and info to be given out; there will be break out sessions etc. From 15:00 to 17:00 a movie will be shown. Br. McNeill suggested a movie called "Betrayed" the story of the Canadian Merchant Seamen.

Volunteers to set up and man the table will be br. Richard, br. Bucherer br. Singleton and sr. Laura. Br. Bucherer will look into a "per diem" from br. Halabecki's office for the volunteers for that day.

Purchasing a Tent/Shelter

The purchase of a tent/shelter was discussed at the previous meeting. The scissor/pop-up style is far too expensive, therefore the garage shelter type that can be purchased at Canadian Tire seems the only feasible option. Sr. Laura Eastcott will check into her contacts about purchasing the tent before our next meeting in April 14th, 2011.

Promotional Letter to the Locals

Br. McNeill talked to the presidents from the USGE locals in the area at the presidents meeting. Br. McNeill promoted the area council and informed the presidents that we would like to have more members and a donation on their behalf.

Br. McNeill and Br. Bucherer will meet on February 24th to draft the promotional letter to the locals.

Resolutions to the Regional Convention in May

The deadline for resolutions is February 28th, 2011. Sr. Laurico has a resolution drafted on behalf of DCL 901.

Round Table

Motion to declare the position of the 2nd Vice President vacant and to call for a bi-election to be held at the next general meeting in order to fill this position for the remainder of its term.

m/s Chris Snooks/John Singleton

-Motion carried unanimously.-

Commissionaires will need some support. There is a standstill at the table. Mobilization work will be done at some time. Sr. Loraine Diaper will keep council posted.

Br. Bucherer stated that he and sr. Lisk just returned from the Parks Bargaining Conference in Calgary. Amongst the high priorities were a strong voice against loss of severance or any concession of previous achievements; students, terms and contracting out, language improvements in various areas and including personal harassment in the next CA.

National Day of Action in Hamilton was a very inspirational day for Laura Eastcott.

Next meeting will be held on April 14th in Trenton. Br. Snooks will call the local president on the base to arrange the location.

Meeting Adjourned at 21:00.

Thanks to Sister Arlene Preston the

Next meeting will be on:

April 14th from 18:00- 2100
at the

Conference Room
Yukon Lodge

185 Hercules St (bldg 406)

CFB Trenton