

PSAC Winnipeg Regional Women's Committee (WRWC)
AGENDA – 16 Oct 2023
VIRTUAL @ 7 pm

Pre-registered for this virtual meeting here:

<https://psac-afpc.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Apduuqrz8iHnKJwo1jEZmrkk8g91BwvJ83>

Call to Order

Chair – Nicole Papineau

Vice-Chair – Tannis Dorward

Treasurer – Cristina Esposito

Secretary – Mona Simcoe

PSAC Rep/Technical Advisor – Tracy Thor

PSAC PRC Women's Committee Rep – Sherry Hunt

Members in attendance

Land Acknowledgement

In this region we live and work on Treaty One land, in the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree and Dakota peoples and in the heart of the Metis Nation.

PSAC Statement on Harassment

Our union is made strong by working together to improve our working lives and to preserve the rights that we have struggled to achieve. Mutual respect is the cornerstone of this cooperation. The PSAC Constitution states that every member is entitled to be free from discrimination and harassment, both in the union and at the workplace, on the basis of age, sex, colour, national or ethnic origin, race, religion, marital status, family status, criminal record, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, language, social and economic class or political belief. Members are also entitled to be free from personal harassment.

*If you experience harassment at this event contact, **Tracy Thor PSAC Regional Representative** to the WRWC, to discuss the situation and possible responses. Our initial approach is to encourage early and informal resolution and to facilitate our members speaking directly with one another to resolve the matter. If this is not successful or possible, the Constitutional and policy mandates on the issue of harassment will be fully and quickly enforced.*

Harassment in all its forms, detracts from our common purpose and weakens our union. Let each one of us, as we work together on the important task at hand, treat each other with dignity and respect.

Introductions –

Adoption of Agenda - Nicole

Motion

Adoption of Minutes – Mona

Motion 11 Sep 23 meeting

Treasurer's Report - Cristina

Opening Balance

Expenses/Revenue

Closing Balance

Motion

Outstanding as per Budget 2023

\$100.00 SJF coffee - to Willow place (International Women's Day)
\$200.00 Feminine products - to MAMA clan (Earth Day)
\$200.00 Breakfast items - Teulon School donation (Poverty MB)
\$100.00 Socks - Main Street Project (6th Socktober)
\$100.00 Treats - Bear Clan Safe Halloween
\$90.00 - Nov Meeting
\$300.00 - MFL luncheon National Day of Remembrance
\$300.00 - Hamper donation (North Point Douglas Women's Center)

PSAC PRC Women's Committee Rep Report - Sherry Hunt

WRWC Business

PSAC Prairies Convention 9-11 June Report – Nicole

MFL Women's Conference 26-27 Sep 23 Report – “Women Belong in All Places Where Union Decisions are being Made” – Cristina and Tannis

SOCKTOBER -

Sixth Annual Socktober – Main Street Project

In anticipation of the coming winter months, we are asking for help in collecting **30,000** pairs of **new** donated socks during the month of October so that we can keep lots of pairs of feet dry, warm, and healthy. We have many kinds of sock needs here at Main Street Project. From folks coming into Protective Care with nothing on their feet at all to our shelter community members needing a new pair of dry socks to people living in transitional housing needing new socks, we cover a wide range of needs of those we serve. People experiencing homelessness are at risk of developing serious feet health issues including infections, ulcers, ingrown toenails, and nerve damage due to diabetes. Being exposed to the elements can cause frostbite. In severe cases, foot health issues can lead to serious illness and amputation.

Many of the folks we see at MSP spend a lot of time on their feet, often walking several hours a day in ill-fitting shoes and they often don't have access to a shower to clean their feet with the opportunity to change into clean dry socks. We want to do everything we can to help keep these folks healthy over the coming winter months by being able to provide clean dry socks.

Check out posters and info at Mainstreetproject.ca and consider setting up a donation station in your workplace.

Budget \$100 to top up donations received

OCTOBER 31 - Bear Clan Halloween safe gathering event

Budget \$100 Donation of Treats

PSAC Rep/Technical Advisor Update – Tracy Thor

PSAC Education Schedule

Reminders/Notes/Activities/Updates

Oct 31 – Bear Clan safe Halloween **Budget** \$100-treats

Nov 13 – Mtg **Budget** \$90 in-person meeting

Nov 25 – Dec 10 – 16 days of activism against gender violence

Dec 06 – National Day of Remembrance MFL luncheon **Budget** \$300 for table of 10

Dec 11 – Mtg & Clothing and Hamper Drives

Winter Wear Donations Drive - West Central Women's Resource Centre

Collecting of new or gently used items or money to support this drive.

Christmas Hamper Donations - North Point Douglas Women's Centre

Collecting items such as toys, adult gifts, food hamper to support this drive. Budget-\$300 hamper

WRWC Facebook Page

Next Meeting Date

Budget Planning 2024 – Calendar of Activities - Nicole

13 Nov 23

Adjournment