

WINNIPEG AREA COUNCIL MEETING

April 10, 2025

In attendance:

Kyle Berry (Chair) – UTE 50021

Wyatt Delbridge (Vice Chair) – CEIU 50005

Karine Drobko (Treasurer) – CEIU 50770

Christian Boulley (Secretary) – CEIU 50767

Dana Armstrong, UHEW 50012

Craig Adolphe – CEIU 50757

Jamie Bonner – UHEW 50012

Frances Bitney – UNE 50040

Tracy Drew – UHEW 50012

Nestor Galarnyk – USJE 50027

Marlene Laschuk – UCTE 50510

Lucy Johnson – UHEW 50135

William Kolisnyk – UTE 50031

Craig Kremer – CEIU 50772

Halimah Orogho – UNE 50040

Mona Simcoe - UNDE 50705

Brandon Terry – UTCE 50600

Teresa Tremblay – CEIU 50772

Katherine Ward – AGR 50056

Landon Wark – UHEW 50012

Keri D'Avignon-Nault, CEIU MB/SK NVP (CEIU 50770)

Tracy Thor PSAC Regional Rep

1. Call to Order: Meeting started at 5:35pm
2. Land Acknowledgement: read by Kyle
3. Adoption of Agenda: Kyle Berry motioned, Teresa Tremblay seconded, motion passed unanimously
4. 2025-02-11 minutes approval: Craig K. motioned, Karine Drobko seconded; motion passed unanimously
5. Human Rights Committee Report: Provided by Frances Bitney, Committee Chair
 - a. Preparation for Pride
6. Women's Committee Report: Teresa Tremblay
 - a. Successful Fundraiser for Mama Bear Clan
 - b. Habitat for Humanity build planned
 - c. Meeting to prep kits for the Mama Bear Clan
7. Young Workers Committee Report
 - a. No one present, no report given
8. PRC Report – Gus Mardli not present, report not given
9. Treasurer Report – Karine Drobko
 - a. Only 1 transaction so far this year – 2025-02-19 payment to Tracy Thor for payment of food for AGM
 - b. Approval motioned by Karine Drobko, seconded by Kyle Berry
10. Discussion on Federal Election
 - a. PSAC town hall event tonight – 7pm CT
 - b. WAC For You Canada event next week
 - c. Event Saturday 2025-04-12 at Leila Dance Campaign office at 220-1615 Regent Ave West.
 - d. Local candidate forums – none planned at this time
 - e. Call banks – Tracy T. brings up limits on cost and volunteer time
 - i. Craig A. enquires why volunteer time would be limited
 - ii. Tracy T. explains that this is due to cost of texting and monitoring text to members
 - iii. Christian B. requests clarification on what actions are allowed; Tracy clarifies that informational emails to members concerning the election, how to vote, links to PSAC campaign, etc are okay. Calling

members would be approved if the caller sticks to a similarly simple and factual script and avoids forcing their personal political opinions on members.

11. Roundtable

- a. Public Service Week: Position from PSAC National is to boycott
 - i. Kyle B. shares that his local will be aiming to provide counter-programming instead of boycotting
 - ii. Keri D-N. agrees with the idea of counter-programming instead of boycotting.
- b. Craig A. brings up the campaign about the employer's plan to pause their Public Service Pension Plan contributions, which he contends has not been discussed by PSAC as frequently in recent months.
- c. Keri D-N. discusses an information sheet put together during 2023 strike. Emphasizes the value of providing factual information to members—raises level of engagement and activism.
- d. Mona S.: brings up the idea of an area council request to be sent to Marianne concerning a campaign to email members about the Pension campaign and/or the election. Also suggests that the area council discuss and prepare resolutions to go to National PSAC convention in June 2026.
- e. Frances B.: discusses previous mailing campaigns, which provided information to members concerning statements by various candidates related to public service.
- f. Keri D-N. brings up CLC's "Workers Together" campaign, advises that members can sign up for updates concerning events

12. Next Meeting Date: 2025-06-04 (virtual, but Fall meeting will be in person)

13. Adjournment: Meeting concluded at 7:00pm.