



Saskatoon Regional Women's Committee MEETING MINUTES

Name of Committee: Saskatoon Regional Women's Committee

Meeting Date: May 28, 2026

Meeting Time: 5:00pm

Meeting Location: Zoom

ATTENDEES:

Voting	Observer	Guest	Name and type of attendance		Comp/Local
x				Ariel Alvarenga	40818
x				Jodie Schafer	40802
x				Shaina Ledoux	40803
x				Laura Westman	40024
x				Janette Husak	40195
x				Sandra Strachan	40818
		x		Charito Humphreys (Bargaining Rep)	40811
x				Dawn Montgrant	40195
x				Tara Peterson	40023
	x			Jacqueline Maurice	PSAC Rep

1.	Call to Order at 5:02pm
2.	Statement on Harassment https://prairies.psac.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/ANTI.pdf Identified Anti-Harassment Coordinator:
3.	Land Acknowledgement
4.	Introductions
5.	Bargaining Update – Charito Humphreys (PA) - The employer wants to enhance managerial rights this time. We do not want to give up what we have fought years for. - The wage proposal has been tabled - In Feb 2026 the team declared impasse



	- We met with the mediator in April and last Tuesday (May 26th) - Even with the mediator conversations have stalled - Looking to expand the leave provisions - Tabled leave for reproductive health support (menstruation, menopause, vasectomy, hysterectomy, gender affirming reproductive care etc.) - We are hoping to get a decision back from the Chairperson tomorrow – she will confirm if she thinks we are at an impasse. - Next Step – going to the public interest commission – this will not happen until the fall - We need members to be mobilized. We need people to get involved anyway that they can. - https://psacunion.ca/sites/psac/files/pa-eng_-_bargaining_demands_-_october_24_2025.pdf - https://psacunion.ca/sites/psac/files/2025-12-04_-_pa_-_employer_proposals_to_date_eng.pdf - https://psacunion.ca/solidarity-toolkit-pa-group
6.	Review and approval of previous meeting's minutes Moved – Laura Westman Seconded – Jodie Schafer Passed
7.	Treasures Report - \$194 in the account - Only amount spent is banking fees - \$20 expense for vinyl for printing red dress stickers to be reimbursed
8.	Chair Report – Shaina Ledoux The Regional Women's Committee has stayed engaged through solidarity actions, conferences, and community building. At the Equity Conference, I met Grandma Shingoose, who began and ended the conference and led daily Indigenous teachings. I gained so much from her wisdom, but it was heart-wrenching to hear about the resurgence of residential school denialism. After sharing their painful truths during the National Truth and Reconciliation Inquiry, survivors are now facing painful denial of their experiences. This is deeply unfair and heartbreaking, and I cannot believe they have to endure this. In



	response to the growing concerns around residential school denialism, I would also encourage members to consider supporting the petition seeking legal protections against denialism of survivors' truths. Standing with survivors means not only listening to their stories, but actively defending the truth of their experiences. On April 29, we had a strong show of solidarity wearing black. Although bargaining teams are still facing hurdles, the support is strong. Regarding the Equity Conference delegate selection, we ran out of time to vote on a few positions for 2027 representation. These will now continue virtually, and I will provide updates as soon as they're available. Finally, despite the cold, the May 5 Spirit Parade had a fantastic turnout, and I'm grateful for everyone who participated. On a lighter note, PSAC coffee is \$19 per bag, and 100% of the proceeds go to the Social Justice Fund. Last year, for example, PSAC was able to contribute \$100,000 to support those affected by the wildfires. It's a wonderful initiative and a great way to give back.
9.	Red Dress Spirit Walk - Stickers made by Shaina Ledoux – forms to be submitted to cover the cost - Wagon Budget – something we could do next year and something we can do for the sisters in Spirit Walk in October.
10.	Pride Parade - The Pride Parade in PA is next weekend. - The PA folks might join the one parade in Saskatoon since people will be at the PSAC Prairies Triennial. - Might have to do a walking float if no one volunteers their vehicle - Might do goodie bags with candies and stickers to hand out
11.	Prairies Triennial Convention Update - Shaina's local will not be sending a delegate to the Convention.
12.	Round Table - Janette shared some events happening in Saskatoon and PA area for Indigenous Peoples Month (June)



	- May 28th: Opening Ceremony for Honouring our Sisters, Brothers & 2SLGBTQ+ at Prince Albert River Bank - June 2nd Closing Date - Petition to pass Bill C-254 https://www.mbteach.org/mtscms/index.php/2026/03/06/petition-on-residential-school-denialism/ - June 5th: Jean jacket day at Awasiw - The Place of Hope in Regina to honor and raise awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Men and Boys. - June 19th: BRT6HC (Battle River Treaty 6 Health Centre) Annual Indigenous Peoples Day Pancake Breakfast - June 20th: Treaty 6 150th Commemoration at Fort Battleford National Historic Site - June 21st: National Indigenous Peoples Day in Calgary - Walk for Reconciliation, Heritage Park has a Pow Wow and Traditional drumming, Grey Eagle Resort and Casino has the Tsuut'ina Traditions event - JUNE 21 - 2026 Indigenous First Peoples Day 30th Anniversary Celebration Edmonton at RE/MAX FIELD - Online resource to learn more - https://psacunion.ca/walking-our-truth-together - Jodie will be retiring June 18th. She will not be able to stay on the committee. Shaina to be a signing authority replacement if required. - Laura will put her name forward as the alt rep for PSAC Women's Rep
13.	Next meeting - September 2nd at 5pm
14.	Adjournment ● 6:14pm