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**GSU National Council Meeting**

**Thursday September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Hotel Delta Ottawa City Centre, Ottawa, ON**

**Minutes of meeting**

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## 1) Call to Order

## P.M. Session

The meeting of the GSU National Council was called to order at 3:05 p.m. with the newly elected National President Randy Howard, in the Chair and the following Members in attendance:

### Present:

Randy Howard	National President
Martine Babcook	National Vice-President
Lori Walton	National Vice-President
Kelly Bush	National Vice-President, Equity
Daniel Charron	Regional Vice-President, Royal Canadian Mint
Meera Chander	Regional Vice-President, National Capital Region
David Cuning	Regional Vice-President, Ontario Region, excluding the National Capital Region
Anthony Drozdowski	Regional Vice-President, Nova Scotia
Shanny Doucet	Regional Vice-President, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island
Mélanie Hamel	Regional Vice-President, Quebec East including Quebec City
Linda Harding	Regional Vice-President, Vancouver, British Columbia
Roman Laroche	Regional Vice-President, National Capital Region
Robyn Ohland	Regional Vice-President, Alberta, Nunavut and the Northwest Territories
Michèle Parent	Regional Vice-President, Quebec West, including Montreal
Nicole Rousseau	Regional Vice-President, National Capital Region
Bruce Roy	Regional Vice-President, National Capital Region
Sue Soubra-Boone	Regional Vice-President, Ontario Region, excluding the National Capital Region
Bill Walsh	Regional Vice-President, Newfoundland and Labrador
Larissa Williams	Regional Vice-President, Saskatchewan and Manitoba

### Regrets

Reni Stein	Regional Vice-President, remainder of British Columbia and the Yukon Territories
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### Staff:

Monique Desrosiers	Finance and Administration Officer
Bob Haywood	Advisor to the National President
Maria Thomas	Executive Assistant to the National President

## Announcements

Brother Howard thanked the newly elected National Council for their hard work, dedication and support throughout Convention. He stated that he is looking forward to working with the newly elected National Council.

## **2) Approval of Agenda**

**m/s Linda Harding / Lori Walton**

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

(Appendix 'A')

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **3) PSAC Collective Bargaining**

Brother Howard explained to National Council that PSAC sent out the Input call for the National Bargaining Conference delegates. He also indicated that the GSU sent out an email to all the Local Presidents and to the National Council. He explained that the deadline for Components to submit the names of delegates to PSAC is September 29, 2017. He indicated that a package with a list of applications was distributed to National Council for their review.

**m/s David Cunning / Sue Soubra-Boone**

THAT delegates who submitted their names for the PSAC National Bargaining Conference after the deadline of September 15, 2017 will not be accepted.

**Recorded vote #1. MOTION CARRIED.**

Brother Howard advised National Council that delegates entitlements are as follows:

PA	9	10 applications were submitted in the GSU National Office
TC	3	1 application was submitted in the GSU National Office
SV	2	2 applications were submitted in the GSU National Office
EB	1	GSU has no members in this group.

**m/s Martine Babcook / Lori Walton**

THAT National Council members who have submitted their applications be given priority and be selected as delegates to the PSAC Bargaining Conference.

Prior to proceeding with the vote, Sister Rousseau requested clarification. She wanted to know if Brother Drozdowski, Sisters Soubra-Boone, Doucet and Bush would be delegates selected as part of the process. Brother Howard confirmed that this would be.

**Recorded vote #2. MOTION CARRIED.**

**m/s Martine Babcook / Nicole Rousseau**

THAT the remainder of names be done by a draw.

**Recorded vote #3. MOTION DEFEATED.**

**Note:** Brother Howard tabled recorded vote #3 and gave permission to Brother Cunning to amend the previous resolution. He explained that should the amended resolution not be accepted by National Council recorded vote #3 would stand.

**m/s David Cunning / Sue Soubra-Boone**

Brother Cunning requested that, from the applications received, the National Council select one (1) name that they would want removed from the Bargaining Conference and this be done by secret ballot.

Sister Chander read the applications received in English and Sister Hamel read the applications received in French (as the applications were not translated).

Sister Meghan Caaney's name was removed from the application list.

**Secret ballot: Recorded vote #4. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **4) PSAC Leadership Training**

Brother Howard advised National Council that PSAC National Leadership Training would be held from November 30th to December 3rd, 2017 at the Westin Hotel in Ottawa. Brother Haywood stated that he would follow-up to find out if the PSAC will be absorbing the cost for this training. He indicated that he would advise National Council when he has more information.

#### **5) PSAC E-mail accounts**

Sister Desrosiers advised National Council of the following:

- PSAC email accounts, will be created for the newly elected Regional Vice-Presidents. Brother Howard stated that all emails from National Office will be sent to that account. GSU will not be using the Employer's email for union business.
- A \$75 monthly allowance will be provided to National Council if they are using their personal cell phones for union business.
- Business cards will be provided to National Council.

#### **6) Round Table / Discussion**

The meeting ended with a round table discussion.

**Brother Haywood:** Reminded National Council that it is very important to meet with their Locals and to submit bargaining demands to the National Office.

**Sister Rousseau:** Thanked everyone and stated that she is looking forward to working with the newly elected National Council.

**Brother Charron:** Encouraged National Council to think about the GSU Committees that they would prefer to part of.

**Brother Laroche:** Thanked everyone for their support and indicated that he is looking forward to being on National Council.

**Sister Soubra-Boone:** Explained that she is looking forward to working with everyone.

**Sister Chander:** Echoed Sister Soubra-Boone comment.

**Sister Parent:** Stated that she would like to know if dates could be provided for conference calls. She would also like to add to the next agenda Resolution G-01-17 which was voted by the Convention floor. Sister Parent congratulated the newly elected officers. She stated that she is very passionate on Equity issues and that she is looking forward to learning new things.

**Brother Roy:** Congratulated Brother Howard on his election and he is looking forward to working with National Council.

**Sister Walton:** Stated she is looking forward to the next three (3) years working with everyone.

**Brother Howard:** Thanked everyone for a great week. He stated that he is looking forward to working with everyone. Brother Howard asked National Council to send him (by email) their request on which GSU committees that they would like to be part of. He thanked Sister Thomas, Sister Desrosiers, Brother Haywood, the Interpreters and Freeman for a job well done. He advised National Council that the GSU office will be closed on Friday, September 29, 2017.

## **7) Adjournment**

**m/s Linda Harding / Bill Walsh**

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## Recorded Votes

Legend 1. Yes 2. No 3. Abstain 4 Absent	Late delegates – PSAC Bargaining Conference	Priority NC Members – PSAC Bargaining Conference	Names in a draw – PSAC Bargaining Conference	Name remove from bargaining team applications					
Vote Number	1	2	3	4					
Babcock, Martine	1	1	1	1					
Bush, Kelly	1	2	2	1					
Charron, Daniel	2	1	2	1					
Chander, Meera	2	1	2	1					
Cunning, David	1	1	2	1					
Doucet, Shanny	1	1	2	1					
Drozdowski, Anthony	1	1	2	1					
Hamel, Mélanie	2	1	2	1					
Harding, Linda	1	1	2	1					
Laroche, Roman	2	1	2	1					
Ohland, Robyn	1	2	2	1					
Parent, Michèle	1	1	2	1					
Rousseau, Nicole	2	1	1	1					
Roy, Bruce	2	1	2	1					
Soubra-Boone, Sue	1	1	2	1					
Stein, Reni	4	4	4	4					
Walsh, Bill	1	1	2	1					
Walton, Lori	1	1	2	1					
Williams, Larissa	2	1	1	2					
Howard, Randy	2	1	2	1					

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CAPITALE BOARDROOM

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