

**AUPE Local 071 – Local Council Meeting Minutes
Edmonton Headquarters
Edmonton, AB
September 26, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER 9:05 am

2. INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL EXECUTIVE AND GUESTS

Chair: Ruth Fletcher - **absent**
Vice-Chair: Viviana Lartiga
Secretary: Jason Pilot
Treasurer: Ruschell Moorhouse
PE Rep: Bobby-Joe Rovensky – **acting Chair**
Staff Rep: Elda Glover
Guest(s): Susan Slade

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA **Carried**

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES – January 24, 2015 **Carried**

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

5.1 – outgoing council gifts (wine kits - previous treasurer)

- **Bonnie has not sent all. Brought them with her to this meeting.**

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- **Bobby-Joe brought up the AUPE App to find info**

6.1 – Labour school

- **Applications to go to Bobby-Joe or one Executive before deadline**
- **Education courses are being delivered in different ways. Find out on the website for dates**

7. REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS

7.1 Chair

- **Bobby-Joe gave the report: apologized for last minute planning of this meeting**
- **Ruth is ill and hopefully will be back for next meeting**
- **Talk to employer for your time off even before you receive your time off request**
- **Elsa spoke that the time off forms are to only let the employer know that the Union is paying for time off**
- **Report was M/S/C**

7.2 Vice-Chair

- **New to position and has nothing to report**
- **She will be stepping up in the future if any issues with Chair come up**
- **Report was M/S/C**

7.3 Secretary

- **Nervous about taking minutes but I believe I am doing good**
- **Felt like I went a little nuts at the end of August since I had to rush to get Credentials into Headquarters because of an issue with the Chair but all is good**
- **Looking forward to the rest of the term**
- **Report was M/S/C**

7.4 Provincial Executive Rep

- **Jon handed out report**
- **Child care amount going up - \$9.95 to \$15.00**
- **Workplace trauma counselling available for AUPE members**
- **New website should be up soon (fall – shortly after convention) not affecting main site – please check the website – easier to use supposedly**
- **VP positions having paid positions are still being discussed – a new committee to discuss this is being formed**
- **Edmonton looking for new building – either a new build or a previously used building to host their own convention**
- **Report was M/S/C**

7.5 Treasurer

- **Thank you to Reni and Bobby-Joe for all their help – Reni helped to get access to the bank account and balancing books – Bobby-Joe for going over and above her job to help get this year on track**
- **2 months of activity within the account – Chapter cheques are going out – please have all Chapter Treasurers to contact Ruschell when they receive their cheques**
- **Report M/S/C**

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Sub-Finance Committee

- **For Union Steward Recognition, Give cards to BestBuy of \$50.00 are being given out – signatures are needed to receive them – they will be mailed out if are not present at this moment**
- **Money is taxed and is audited so not good**
- **Visa/ Mastercard Give Cards are also taxable; again, not good**
- **Headquarters pushing for a party but doesn't work with our Local**
- **Committee had nothing to change for the budget**
- **New position on the Sub-committee for a Vice-Treasurer to hold a second set of books in case something happens to the Treasurer**

Motion: for future finance sub-committees – to hold a vice - treasurer position in order to have a second set of records and to place this position into the Policies and Procedures

Motion was properly moved and seconded

Direction for finance committee: to draw up a final draft to be placed in the policies and procedures for the next meeting

Motion: once a term during an even calendar year during the middle of the term, a recognition/appreciation gift to be given to an AUPE Local 71 Executive not to exceed \$500.00

Rationale: to compensate the amount of extra time the Executive does because sometimes they are spending many hours over and above the meetings with planning and meeting

Motion was properly moved and seconded
Discussion was held over this issue, both Negative and Positive

In the Constitution, Article 20.07 and 20.08 - absences

Ammendment: the gift to be given at the end of the 2 year term instead of the middle of the 2 year term

Ammendment Carried

Motion: At the end of their term, Local Executive will each receive a recognition/appreciation gift not to exceed \$500.00

Motion Carried

Guest: Susan Slade showed up to share a few words with what she has been doing over her term and she is campaigning for another term

- **Treasurer Training** – been moved to Jan meeting

Motion: approval of purchase of backpack for convention delegates – up to \$40.00 per item and 30 backpacks with the AUPE Local 71 logo

Motion was properly moved and seconded

Rationale: Having something to identify as a Local 71 Delegate

Discussion: Good to identify the Delegate
Motion carried

Motion: to provide the backpack to all Local 71 council reps to bring to every council meeting for your term

Rationale: to give the opportunity for Council Reps to get one

Ammendment: to get either a backpack or a zippered binder for Council Reps up to a maximum of \$40.00

Discussion: both for and against
Ammendment Defeated

Original Motion was Carried

Action item: To find out who wants jackets at May's meeting for Convention

- **Report was M/S/C**

9. **STANDING COMMITTEE UPDATES**

9.1 Anti-Privatization Committee

- **Worked with the Women's Committee at the Grandparent's Picnic**

9.2 Education Sector Committee

9.3 Women's Committee

9.4 Young Activists Committee

9.5 Pay & Social Equity Committee

- 9.6 OH & S Committee
 - 9.7 COPA Committee
 - 9.8 Environmental Committee
 - **Chapter Chairs got ECO stars**
 - 9.9 Human Rights Committee
 - **Edmonton and Lethbridge Pride**
 - **Excellence Conference**
 - **Lots of Resolutions being brought forth to Convention Floor**
 - 9.10 Membership Services Committee
 - 9.11 Legislative Committee
 - **In charge of all resolutions coming to the Convention floor**
 - **Developed a Pre-Convention presentation for Locals - Bobby-Joe has completed 3 presentations so far**
 - 9.12 Pension Committee
10. OLD BUSINESS
- 10.1 Next 2016 Local Council Meeting
 - **January 22, 2016** **Edmonton** **Local Executive – 6**
Chapter Treasurer’s Training - 14
Chapter Chair’s Training - 14
 - **January 23, 2016** **Edmonton** **Local Council**
 - **May 13, 2016** **Calgary** **AGM Local Executive**
Local 71 Social
 - **May 14, 2016** **Calgary** **AGM Local Council**
 - **Sept 23, 2016** **Edmonton** **Local Executive**
Pre-Convention Training
 - **Sept 24, 2016** **Edmonton** **Local Council**
 - 10.2 WebMasters
 - **Action – Jason to send Ric the contact info for the WebMaster team**
 - **Action – Ric to add contact info on the site**
11. NEW BUSINESS
- 11.1 Convention
 - **Jason handed out a hard copy to Council of the email sent to Delegates**
 - 11.2 ~~Upcoming Meetings~~
 - **Already discussed in 10.1**
 - 11.3 Update to Policies and Procedures
 - **Reni is putting toward a motion**
- Motion: Local 71 adheres to AUPE headquarters’ policies on expense claims**
- To be placed in the Local 71 Policies and Procedures Manual as 4 a) and all subsequent articles to follow**
- Motion was properly M/S/C**
- Action: Jason to update chapter finance page in the Policies and Procedures to the Treasurer and Executive contact info**
- 12. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS
 - 13. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS – January 22 & 23, 2016
 - 14. ADJOURNMENT **M/S/C**