



MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEES' UNION - CUPE 5791 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

HELD Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 12:00 noon, Via Zoom.

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PRESENT: Shane Belter, James Batalha, Mary Catherine Litalien, Pam Sparvier, Louise Smith, Zoraida Quinones, Kelly Jackman, Velda Gottselig

REGRETS:

ABSENT: Joe Harding, Maria Alarcon

GUESTS: Alex Lenco

Attendees: 86 members

The Chair called the meeting to order.

1. Approval of Minutes: To accept the Minutes of November 9, 2020 as presented.

L. Smith/James Batalha

Carried

2. Treasurer's Report: No reports were available, however Pam shared that she is attending training on February 25 and she has been able to get signing authority on the bank account.

3. Executive Board Report

a) Trustees' Report presented by Velda Gottselig:

2018 Report and 2019 Report were both presented. The report stated that numerous errors were found.

Member discussions were held after the presentation with numerous questions and concerns raised. Questions were raised as to why the reports are so late in completion, why the Strike Fund is being used, credit card usage, cell phone registered to private company instead of CUPE 5791 or private individual, whether cheques to a private company for significant money were issued.

Through discussions it was discovered that

A) President was acting in 2019 therefore didn't have a credit card to use – he needed to submit receipts and be reimbursed.

B) Cell phone is registered to a private individual (President) but c/o a private company that has been legally dissolved years ago. Therefore not a conflict of interest.

C) Numerous data entry errors were made due to financial program lacking abilities for corrections and ease of use.

D) The implied issued cheques were, in fact, not verified through banking financial statements. Nor was it verified that the Strike Fund money was being used. The CUPE 5791 Executive Members have been tasked with verifying that these implied issued cheques were not issued but were data entry errors that could not be fixed.

E) Why were the Trustees referencing Pinnacle Plumbing when receipts and invoices were not submitted using this company name, nor was there verification of cheques issued to this company.

F) Velda Gottselig raised the point that these reports were completed by the three trustees in conjunction with CUPE National.

Due to the length of this meeting the decision was made that a motion should be made to accept the 2018 report, but that further information is needed before the 2019 report could be accepted.

Motion to accept the 2018 report as presented

Velda Gottselig/Louise Smith

Carried

b) Budget presentation to General Membership was deferred to March General Membership meeting as this meeting had extended beyond the 1 hour allotment.

c) Swearing in of new members – Alex Lenco of CUPE National swore in the new executive table members that were voted in at the November 2020 meeting.

4. Good of the Union

Draw for \$100.00 gift card from list of all attending members: #33 Doris Hein

Draw for \$50.00 gift card from list of all attending members: #73 Pamela Sparvier

Draw for \$50.00 gift card from list of all attending members: #48 Christine Hubick

5. Motion to table the rest of the Agenda items to the next meeting

Joanne Downing/Brenda Yung

Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 1:33 pm.

Minutes recorded by L. Smith, Recording Secretary