

REPORT OF THE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

ATLANTIC REGIONAL COUNCIL

MAY 7, 2015

Present: Chris Di Liberatore, Neville David, Steve Johnson, Mike LeBlanc, Joey Dunphy and Jeannie Baldwin.

Staff Resource: Sebastien Bezeau

Called to order at 13:00.

- New Member: Welcome Neville David. Thanks to Dawn Hardy for her work on the committee. Good luck on her future endeavors.
- Chris will now take the chair as he was co-chair with Dawn before her departure. Mike volunteered to become co-chair and was so acclaimed.
- Discussion on the 2015 budget as previously developed by committee. Telephone Town Hall may be funded from National, but is still budgeted just in case. Adjusted budget will be presented to Council at the next meeting.
- Day of Action Activities: Numerous and varying throughout the Region. Probably key-noted by the “flash mob” in St. John’s. Sebastien reported that it was viewed over 4000 times in the first couple of days.
- “National Public Service” week is coming up in June. We’re still boycotting the event. Instead, we should all plan for something special for June 19th along the theme of “Union Appreciation Day”. Perhaps a BBQ or some other very public activity to promote what we do in our communities. PSAC will ask the Area Councils to organize activities in their Region and funding will be provided by PSAC.
- Reviewed the minutes of the Jan 13/15 teleconference. Adopted: Joey/Mike.
- Discussions on the following up of recommendations previously adopted by Council. All items have been actioned except the proposal on the E.I. campaign which will be done shortly now that the targeted ridings have been established.
- Reviewed the Area Councils / Political Action Committee conference call discussions. Talked about the elections, convention and support requirements of different Councils.
- Area Councils have been made aware of the availability of swag / merchandise from the Region with already availing of the opportunity.
- Cost share of PSAC clothing to be discussed at the Council meeting.
- REVP Jeannie provided an update of Regional activities with general discussion ensuing.

Recommendation to Council: Adopt the PAC Budget as presented.

Meeting adjourned at 14:55.

Respectfully Submitted