

**PSAC ATLANTIC COUNCIL WOMEN'S COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024**  
**6:00 – 7:15 PM (via Zoom)**

Attendance: Jackie Ellis, chair  
Gail Budgell  
Kim Asling  
Heather Ford  
Ellen Cross  
Lori Walton, Staff Advisor  
Chris Di Libertore, REVP

Regrets: Denise Reynolds

**AGENDA**

**Solidarity Statement (Land Acknowledgement)** – Read by Jackie Ellis

**Committee Welcome** – Jackie Ellis chairing

- a. Minutes - Ellen Cross
- b. Agenda was adopted as presented

**Review of Terms of Reference**

Terms of reference were reviewed and discussed.

**Update Mission and Mandate for this Cycle**

The mission and mandate document were reviewed and updated to reflect the committee's priorities for this cycle.

**Current PSAC Campaigns**

Some of the current PSAC campaigns are the Pay equity campaign, childcare campaign, and human rights.

**Regional Women's Committee Campaigns**

Gail spoke on trying to get committees up and running. She spoke on the Rocky Harbour Committee going very well with lots of activities planned for the next few months. The central is not active but Gail will be taking part in the meeting with the St John's committee. Kim spoke on different topics that will be taking place in her region and how we are all here to help women with issues they are struggling with. Lori is happy to stay on with this committee as she is enjoying the work we are doing. Chris wanted to thank everyone for all their hard work. He also spoke on some of the programs that PSAC are offering.

**Discussion for next meetings regarding action planning for cycle**

There are some social justice campaigns that we will promote and partner with other groups to bring women's issues to the forefront. We spoke on resolutions and how we might want to redo the resolution called *The Pink Tax*. It would take tax off feminine hygiene items that are a must for women.

This year will be the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the women's festival in Charlottetown.

We also discussed some upcoming events like Take back the night in September and Red Dress Day on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussed issues that are plaguing our members like Canada Life issues, Phoenix Issues, and Mental Health in and out of the workplace.

Jackie closed the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and all their hard work.

Next meeting will be in April when the regional council meets.

**Adjournment** - Meeting Adjourned 7:15p.m