

NS Area Council 1
AGM – January 30, 2025
DRAFT Minutes

Derek Forbes (1st VP - UNDE)
Rob Silver (President – UCTE)
Brian Oldford (UTE)
Josh Atwood (UTE)
Tracy Kempton (UTE)
Leslie Campbell (AGRU)
Gisele Weingartshofer (Treasurer – UNE)
Chris Di Liberatore (REVP)
Sharon Barbour (PSAC)

Rob Silver welcomed the group and conducted land acknowledgement.
Sharon agreed to take minutes in absence of Secretary.

Treasurer Report

- Gisele reviewed financial report for 2025
- Brian asked why the A/C received no funds from REVP last year
- Rob explained that for the past two years the A/C had been using up the funds already in the bank. They did not request more because they didn't need it.
- Question about annual funding from Brian Oldford – Chris D explained;
 - Annual amount available is \$2000. Past REVP determined that a number of A/Cs were not spending the funds
 - At that time a decision made that if A/C had a balance of \$1000 or more, they would not be issued their allotment until it was spent.
 - A/Cs may request the available funds when needed

Derek (m)/ josh(s) treasurer report – adopted

President Report

- Rob reads President's report (attached)
- Brian (m) / Derek (s)
- adopted

Election of Officers

Chris D explained process and ran election

President

- Rob Silver (Derek n / Josh s)
- Acclaimed

1st VP

- Derek Forbes (Gisele n / Brian s)
- acclaimed

2nd VP

- Brian Oldford (Gisele n / Leslie s)
- Leslie Campbell (Tracy n / Josh s)
 - Leslie accepted nomination
 - Brian declined nomination
 - Leslie acclaimed 2nd VP

Treasurer

- Gisele (Rob n / Brian s)
- Acclaimed

Secretary

- Tracy Kempton (Brian n / Josh s)
- Acclaimed

Political Action Rep

- VACANT
- No nominations

DCL Rep

- VACANT
- position not offered because no DCL members attended the meeting.

Women's Rep

- VACANT

- This position not offered because the rep is selected by Regional Women's Committee(s)
 - Leslie asked if the Women's Rep could come from the Annapolis Valley RWC vs. the HRM RWC.
 - Chris suggested the two committees connect to discuss.

Chris D congratulated the new Executive and delivered the oath of office.

2025 Work Plan Discussion

- Deferred to next meeting

2025 Meeting Dates

- Thursday Apr. 03 6pm
- Saturday Jun. 14 BBQ / Meeting: 12 – 3
- Thursday Sept. 11 6pm
- Thursday Nov. 20 6pm (AGM)

REVP Update

- Federal election – likely early spring (mid-May)
- Important for all Canadians but especially for federal public service employees
- Area Councils will be integral to the work in the Fed. Election
- Find ways to grow Area Councils – invite members from your locals
- Get involved with progressive, pro-worker candidates – PSAC will identify the candidates we support
- in Andy Filmore's past riding (vacated since Filmore resigned to run for Mayor of Halifax) – an opportunity to get progressive, worker friendly candidate elected.
- We want members to ask candidates what they will do to support workers and public sector employees
- Help support candidate's campaigns – get fellow union members out to support them
- Provide our members with questions they can ask candidates who come to their door
- Issues including remote work, workforce adjustment, pension theft, etc.
- Having conversations with our coworkers, family, friends so they understand what's at stake

Meeting Adjourned