Niagara Area Council Minutes St. Catharines – March 28th, 2018

Present: Wendy Moulton (CEIU 000624), Mark Kuderian (CIU 00020), Debbie Willet (APSAR), Lorraine Diaper PSAC Rep, Bob Black southwest ORC rep, Tony Gazzellone (APSAR), Deborah Fairlie (UCTE 00018 - Steward), Marie Tabaka (CEIU) New member Brett Ballanger (CIU Local 00016)

Regrets: David Carr (UNDE00623), Richard Brady (AGR 0015), Caroline Nagel (UTE 00016), Frank Mountain (UNE 00221), Karin Schneider (AGR 0015), Carlo Tesone (NRU 217), James Walker (UTE)

Agenda: submitted by Brother Kuderian,

Old Business: Secretary Needed – Brother Brett was explained our situation for the need of Secretary / communications officer.

Quorum is reached with 4 members

New Business: Position of Secretary – Debbie Nominated Brett – second by Mark, Brett accepted the nomination and the position. We have a full executive. Welcome to Brother Brett CBSA CIU local 00016

Brother Kuderian: FB PIC report favourable for workers. Ratification votes
Bargaining conference for 4 groups to elect bargaining teams 26th -29th of March 2018.
CP – ratified – CFIA ratified – Parks has collective agreement – SSO had positive meetings

Sister Moulton: Attending National convention- Work location down in staff numbers – people concerned about vacation leave in summer. Wanting to do Meet and Greet for members in May meeting. Presented draft flyer for members to receive, also draft email to invite REVP Sharon DeSousa. Looking for input from NAC members, also looking for them to solicit items for Prizes

Lorraine Diaper: Spoke of Education Toronto Schedule
TUB – Stoney Creek – 24 and 25th of March 18 participants
Respectful Workplace – May 5 and 6th
Grievance handling in Hamilton – June 9th and 10th
June 23rd Intro DTA and HR TO
Lots of membership applying for the education courses- a wait list is being created. Supply vs Demand

Sister Tabaka – offered to look into Legion for meet and greet in May. Her office participated in JLP workshop in Understanding your Collective Agreement in February, everyone enjoyed it. The only one

that they have not been part of was the Duty to accommodate workshop.

Brother Black – offered Swag for our May meet and Greet. Also stated may be able to assist with

Frisbee's for Labour Day parade, stated he wants to be part of our celebration.

Sister Fairlie – JLP workshop Anti-discrimination – was enjoyed by all who participated. Doing a Mental Health week on May 5th, 2018, multiple agencies involved with a variety of events being held.

Sister Willett - presented info from Retirees Meeting - fight for pensions- won fight Bill 57

Brother Bellanger – Thank you for being welcoming. Interested in knowing more about JLP program and workshops.

General – Suggestion to Boycott Public Service week again Parks – Ratification votes

Next Meeting: April 25th, 2018, St. Catharines, J.J. Kapps 5:30 pm