

# BY-LAW RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT



# Report of the By-law Resolutions Committee to the 6<sup>th</sup> Triennial PSAC North Regional Convention June 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre, Whitehorse, Yukon

Sister Julie Docherty, REVP North, appointed the following members to the By-Law Resolution Committee:

#### Chair:

Brother Douglas Workman, President of the Nunavut Employees Union (NEU)

#### Committee Members:

Sister Sue Christianson, YT Brother Chris Sanderson, NT Sister Maureen Doherty, NU

PSAC Resource Officer: Debbie McLaughlin

The By-Law Resolutions Committee met via teleconference on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 1 PM MST to review the nine (9) By-Law resolutions submitted to Convention.

The Committee was given feedback by Sister Robyn Benson who had reviewed the resolutions to ensure that they were not in violation of the PSAC Constitution.

All resolutions are moved by Brother Douglas Workman and seconded by Brother Chris Sanderson on behalf of the Committee.

Each resolution is immediately followed in your documents by the existing PSAC North By-Law for your ease of reference.

The By-Law Resolutions Committee established its priorities as follows:

- 1. Composite Resolution # B4A
- 2. Composite Resolution # B6A

The following resolutions were ruled out of order by the Chair of the By-Law Resolutions Committee as they were never put to a vote of the PSAC North Regional Council members prior to submission:

- 1. Resolution # B7
- 2. Resolution # B8
- 3. Resolution # B9



participation and patience in this democratic process. The committee would also like to thank Sister Julie Docherty, and the staff of the PSAC North Region for their support to the committee.

Respectfully submitted by the By-Law Resolutions Committee,

Douglas Workman.

Chair of the By-Law Resolutions Committee



PSAC NORTH CONVENTION COMPOSITE RESOLUTION # B4A (to cover Resolutions B1, B2, B3, and B4, using the amended wording from Resolution # B4)

Title: PSAC NORTH COUNCIL COMPOSITION ADDING "DESIGNATES"

Submitted by: Yukon Area Council, Yukon Regional Aboriginal

People's Committee, Yukon Racially Visible Committee, Yukon Pride Committee, Yukon Access Committee, Whitehorse Regional Women's Committee, Yukon Young Workers Committee, Yukon Alliance Facilitator Network, Yukon Regional Health & Safety Committee,

**NWT Aboriginal Peoples Committee** 

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** PSAC North Bylaws, Section 4, Sub-Sections (1d, 1e, 1f, 1g, 1h and 1j) be amended as follows (amendments in **bold font**):

Section 4(1), (d): The President (or designate) of each of the PSAC Territorial Area Councils, and

Section 4(1), (e): The **Chair (or designate)** of each of the PSAC Regional Women's Committees in the North, and

Section 4(1), (f): The **Chair (or designate)** of each of the PSAC Regional Health and Safety Committees in the North, and

Section 4(1), (g): The **Chair (or designate)** of each of the PSAC Alliance Facilitators' Network in the North, and

Section 4(1), (h): The **Chair (or designate)** of each of the PSAC constitutionally recognized Regional Committees in the North, and

Section 4(1), (j): One **Chair (or designate)** per territory to represent Young Workers, where a Young Workers Committee has been duly formed.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: PSAC North Bylaws, Section 6 (and any other applicable section) be amended to reflect the changes in Section 4 as set out in the previous "Be it Resolved".



#### THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS CONCURRENCE.

RATIONALE: The Committee feels that this resolution will ensure

representation of members at Regional Council

meetings and events.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION	CONCURRENCE
DECISION	



# **PSAC NORTH BY-LAWS (EXISTING LANGUAGE)**

# **SECTION 4**

# **PSAC North Regional Council**

#### Sub-Section (1) Composition of the PSAC North Regional Council:

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- c) The President (or her/his designate) of each of the three PSAC Components that are geographically located in the North:
  - The President of the Nunavut Employees Union or her/his designate;
  - The President of the Union of Northern Workers or her/his designate; and
  - The President of the Yukon Employees Union or her/his designate
- d) The President of each of the PSAC Territorial Area Councils.
- e) The Representative of each of the PSAC Regional Women's Committees in the North.
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- i) One PSAC Territorial Director for each Northern Territory that will represent all PSAC Locals and Members that belong to a Directly Chartered Local or a component other than YEU, UNW or NEU.
- j) One representative per territory to represent Young Workers, where a Young Workers Committee has been duly formed.

#### Sub-Section (2) Election of Regional Council Members

a) With the exception of the REVP North, Alternate REVP North and the PSAC Territorial Directors, all Regional Council Members will be elected from within their own respective forums, with copies of the minutes covering such elections, to be submitted to the Regional Council prior to the Triennial Convention of PSAC North and prior to the incumbent's attendance at an Regional Council Meeting.



- b) The PSAC Territorial Directors and alternates shall be elected at the PSAC North Triennial Convention from among each Territorial Caucus by the delegates who are not members of YEU, NEU and UNW.
- c) In the event of vacancies, the PSAC North Regional Council will use election procedures pursuant to these By-Laws.

#### Sub-Section (3)

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- a) Manage the business of PSAC North between its Triennial Conventions; and
- b) Establish regulations to guide the operations of PSAC North.



PSAC NORTH CONVENTION COMPOSITE RESOLUTION # B6A (to cover Resolutions B5 and B6 using the amended wording from Resolution # B6)

Title: SELECTION OF NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE (NHRC) REPRESENTATIVES

Submitted by: Yukon Area Council, Yukon Regional Aboriginal Peoples

Committee, Yukon Racially Visible Committee, Yukon Pride Committee, Whitehorse Regional Women's Committee, Yukon Young Workers Committee, Yukon Alliance Facilitator Network, Yukon Regional Health & Safety Committee, Yukon Regional Aboriginal People's

Committee

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the PSAC North Bylaws be amended to include National Human Rights Committee (NHRC) Representatives election as follows:

Add a new subsection (c) to Section 4 (2) and re-number current Section 4 (c) to Section 4 (d):

#### NEW

(c) The PSAC National Human Rights Committee (NHRC)
Representatives and their Alternates shall be elected at the PSAC
North Triennial Convention. Eligible NHRC Representatives shall be
North Council Committee Chairs (or designates) that sit on North
Council as a representative of their respective equity committee that
is in good standing. All delegates at the Triennial Convention who
self-identify in each equity group shall have the right to vote for the
Rep that will represent their equity group at the NHRC.



#### THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS CONCURRENCE.

RATIONALE:

The Committee feels that since the PSAC National Human Rights Committee (NHRC) was created since the last convention, this resolution allows for a process to elect these representatives.

COMMITTEE	CONCURRENCE
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