

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

26th September, 1991

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

Greg Fisher	President
Ann Hutchison	2nd Vice President
Polly Diether	Treasurer
Vic Wilson	Chief Shop Steward
Stephen Montgomery	Chair, H & S Committee
Jennifer Martin	Recording Secretary
Sharon Krowchuk	Sergeant-at-Arms
Lynn Jenkinson	Sergeant-at-Arms

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:45 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED:Erickson/**SECONDED**:Shepard
That the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES of July 25, 1991.

MOVED:Erickson/**SECONDED**:Moen
That the minutes of July 25, 1991 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING

Nominations remain open for Trustee (3 year term ending Dec. 31, 1993), Chair of Newsletter Committee & Chair of the Education Committee.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

See Newsletter for Greg's Report

ii. Bylaws

The draft Bylaws will be included in the October newsletter for debate and approval at the following two (2) membership meetings.

7. BUSINESS AGENT'S REPORT

Paul reported that the Newsletter committee is in need of members.

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

Polly reported that the financial statements for July & August will appear in the October newsletter.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chief Shop Steward - No report.

Contract Committee - No report

Newsletter Committee - No Chair

Education Committee - No Chair

Grievance Committee - Chair not present

Health & Safety Committee

Investigation of Main Library continuing.

10. NEW BUSINESS

i. Union Organizer's Probation

(Chair was passed to Ann H.)

MOVED:Wilson/**SECONDED**:Krowchuk

That the Executive recommends to the membership that Greg Fisher has successfully passed his probation period as Union Organizer.

CARRIED

ii. B.C. Federation of Labour Affiliation

Paul referred to the diagram in his report in p.4 of September's newsletter. All locals of CUPE are automatically affiliated to the Canadian Labour Council (CLC) and CUPE National. 270,000 members affiliated to the B.C. Federation of Labour. Ken Georgetti and Angela Schira are two officers of the B.C. Federation of Labour. Vancouver & District Labour Council regroups members of the CLC and the B.C. Federation of Labour at the local level as does the Metro Council for CUPE - B.C. Division.

In general we work for a public and political body at UBC. In order to get assistance from the B.C. Federation of Labour we would have to go "cap in hand" because we aren't affiliated.

If we took job action then the B.C. Federation of Labour would assist with strike coordination in that it would encourage Union affiliates not to cross our picket lines.

The dues are \$0.60 per member per month or approximately \$900.00 per month.

Executive Recommendation

MOVED:Fisher/**SECONDED**:Wilson

That we affiliate with the B.C. Federation of Labour

Discussion

- The \$900.00/month can easily be accommodated in the 91/92 budget
 - we could use the higher profile of our issues which membership in the B.C. Federation of Labour could give us.
 - prime vehicle for the state of labour in this province
 - womens committee and stronger voice
- CARRIED**

iii. Political Donations

Executive Recommendation

MOVED:Fisher/**SECONDED**:Hutchison

That we make a cash donation to the New Democratic Party.

Discussion

- This is a private matter
 - whatever we can do to help the Union needs to be done
 - The NDP's philosophy is in line with ours
 - the employment legislation - rolling back wages
 - No one is required to work here and thus forced to join the Union local
 - we need legislation that supports the worker, Social Credit hasn't made this type of legislation - the NDP promises to
 - an investment would sway the undecided voter
 - we just passed a motion to join the B.C. Federation of Labour because we need all the affiliation, profile, strength we could get this from the party in favour of the worker, therefore this would be an investment which will pay off
 - corporations are in this and getting what they want
 - free to give personal donations
 - the group is the power so don't allow people to opt out as was suggested earlier
- CARRIED**

MOVED:Fisher/**SECONDED**:Hutchison

That the Union donate \$2,000 to the NDP for the upcoming election.

A friendly amendment from the floor to increase the donation from \$2,000 to \$5,000 was accepted.

MOVED:Fisher/**SECONDED**:Hutchison

That the Union donate \$5,000 to the NDP for the upcoming election.

CARRIED

MOVED:Erickson

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED