Meeting minutes 79-10-09 #901-207 West Hastings St Vancouver, BC

Joan Wood called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Joan Wood, Hester Vair, Suzanne Marria, Sheila Perret, Bill Burgess, Lid Strand, Carol Knight, Bob Anderman, Joy Smith, Anne Gilbert, Susan Knutson, Colleen Bostwick, Mary Mabin.

1. It was announced that the AUCE Provincial Executive meeting had approved the outline for Structure and Responsibilities (attached, last page) and that Provincial recommended to the cross-local Affiliation Committee the acceptance of the proposal, with an amendment to include the following:

After the first paragraph, Structure, insert "That there be a Chairperson of the Affiliation Committee elected on Friday night October 19th".

Moved by: Bill Burgess Seconded by: Sheila Perret Carried

That an interim Chairperson of the Affiliation Committee be elected tonight, & that person will stand in until October 19th (so that on October 19, reps from Local 5 would participate in the election).

Moved by: Lid Strand Seconded by: Bill Burgess Carried

** the Chairperson is responsible for calling meetings, making arrangements for same and will assist Sheila Perret in handling the correspondence re affiliation.

INTERIM CHAIRPERSON NOMINATIONS:

Lid Strand, Bill Burgess, Joan Wood, and Colleen Bostwick.
COLLEEN BOSTWICK DECLARED ELECTED after Lid, Bill & Joan declined.

2. Working timelines:

and,

MOTION: To accept the working timeline as outlined in the proposal.

Moved by: Bill Burgess Seconded by: Joan Wood Carried

MOTION: To accept the meeting schedule i.e. every other Tuesday night and the Friday night immediately preceding the AUCE Provincial Executive meetings which are held approximately once a month.

Moved by: Suzanne Marria Seconded by: Sheila Perret Carried

3. Bullein Format:

MOTION: That we publish abulletin that follows the proposed format and that a bulletin co-ordinator be elected.

Moved by: Bill Burgess Seconded by Suzanne Marria Carried

** It was the concensus of the meeting that the bulleting be composed of two sections: a) Reports on the research and activities of the Affiliation Committee

b) Letter section to be used as debate forum amongst rank and file members, letters will be solicited from members voicing pros and cons of various avenues & merits of affiliation.

NOMINATION: Anne Gilbert nominated Sheila Perret and Joan Wood to co-ordinate the bulletin. They accepted.

JOAN WOOD & SHEILA PERRET DECLARED ELECTED CO-ORDINATORS OF THE BULLETIN.

MOTION: To publish bulletin monthly.

Moved by: Bob Anderman Seconded by: Joy Smith DEFEATED in favour of previous motion to publish directly after the Tuesday night meetings. In moving the motion, Bob stated his concern over whether or not a twice-monthly bulletin was perhaps too ambitious considering current work-loads and possible machine unreliability. The meeting was assured that if this proved to be the case Sheila and Joan would raise the problem(s) at an Affiliation Committee meeting

4. Responsibility of Affiliation Committee members, n.b. Affiliation Committee includes the Provincial Executive.

MOTION: That the Affiliation Committee members return to their respective locals after each Committee meeting, and encourage local executives to submit to the Committee any material relevant to the question of affiliation & that submissions received by the Committee will be published in the bulletin.

Moved by: Suzanne Marria Seconded by: Lid Strand Carried Bob Anderman wished his opposition recorded.

** This motion means that it is up to the Committee members to report back to the membership, and that it is the responsibility of the Local Executive to inform the members of this avenue of debate and encourage submissions of any kind.

5. Convention Planning:

MOTION: That this item be tabled.

Moved by: Suzanne Marria Seconded by: Lid Strand Carried

6. Research Committee format:
The research committee is responsible for Constitutional Conditions and Financial
Conditions of affiliation.

MOTION: That the AUCE Provincial Cross-local Affiliation Committee volunteer to do research on the Canadian Labour Congress, the BC Federation of Labour, the District Labour Councils, the Confederation of Canadian Unions, the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Office and Technical Employees' Union, the BC Government Employees' Union; Provincial Legislation and Employers' Council policy changes affecting AUCE; Collective Agreements and Consitutions, or other documents and materials; and that the volunteers undertaking specific groups to research will prepare for the entire Affiliation Committee a concise report on the constitutional and financial aspects of affiliation.

Moved by: Suzanne Marria Seconded by: Sheila Perret Carried

Method of obtaining material:

MOTION: That Contacts with any organisation to be researched in regard to affiliation, be made by the Provincial Executive, centrally through the Provincial Office.

Moved by: Colleen Bostwick Seconded by: Carol Knight Motion Withdrawn

In motivating the above motion, Colleen Bostwick stated that it was important that contacts made with the various labour organisations be seen as officially originating from AUCE Provincial, 'intact'. Her intent was that one person be delegated to get the preliminary information. Anne Gilbert reminded the meeting that the labour bodies would in fact be reluctant to deal with other than the central office, and that it is particularly important that a unified effort be made on behalf of the AUCE membership, especially in view of the fact that the application to the CLC was worded 'as a Provincial Organisation'. The discussion led to the following more specific motion:

MOTION: That Colleen work with Sheila Perret and phone to get copies of Constitutions, Collective Agreements and Policy/Position papers from the CLC, etc., as well as any government documentation for distribution to the members of the Affiliation Committee.

Moved by: Susan Knutson Seconded by: Lid Strand Carried

Volunteers for specific research tasks and the publication of the bulletin are listed on the attached first 'AUCE Affiliation News'.

AUCE Affiliation Committee

Recommendation on structure and responsibilities, from AUCE Provincial Executive

I. Structure

Moved that the affiliation committee be composed of the Provincial Executive and one additional elected representative from each local, thereby providing each local with three voting members on the committee

INSERT: That there be a Chair person of the AIC. elected on Fri. Out. 19179.

Note: additional AUCE members may attend and participate in committee meetings as with all other AUCE meetings, but voting will occur as above

II. Responsibilities

- to proceed with meetings and discussions on the conditions for affiliation to the CLC with CLC representatives, and CLC affiliate union representatives (BCGEU, OTEU, CUPE)
- 2) to proceed with discussions and meetings with CCU representatives about conditions for affiliation with CCU
- 3) to report findings from discussions to the membership, and to attempt to generate a debate among AUCE members, by publishing and distributing a regular affiliation committee bulletin every two weeks. The bulletin will be printed at Provincial and distributed to local reps for distribution to local members
- 4) to organize a special AUCE convention for early 1980, at which AUCE members on discuss and resolve the matter of affiliation

Note: this proposal assumes that the affiliation committee only has the authority to thoroughly discuss the options and conditions for affiliation with respective organizations, in order to put those options to the membership at convention.

Further proposals for affiliation committee consideration:

Working timeline: _prepare for convention on weekend of FEB. 23 & 24

- Oct. thru Dec. schedule meetings with org. reps.; report to

membership thru bulletin

- Dec. solicit resolutions on affiliation; circulate in Jan.

Meeting schedule: every second Tuesday and Friday nite before monthly Prov. Exec. mtqs

(to have meetings with reps; to work on bulletin; etc.)

Bulletin format: section(s) giving factual reports on correspondence or meetings

with affiliate representatives;

section for members to write in arguing various options for affiliation

Convention logistics: -delegate / voting structure

-Resolutions Committee/ deadlines for submitting/accepting res--publicity olutions

-location/time/place/delegate materials/food