

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Union of Taxation Employees Local 00013</b> <b>Central Council Minutes</b></p>
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**Meeting of August 14, 2006**

**In Attendance:**

*Presiding*

Jean De Peiza  
Frank DeBlasio  
Cheryl Grieve  
Eric Range  
Sheila Reuben

*President*  
*Director – TSO*  
*Director – TSO*  
*Treasurer*  
*Director – TSO*

*Recording*

Ryan Ward  
Linda Collins  
Dario Gritti  
Rob Hamilton

*Secretary*  
*VP – TSO*  
*Chief Steward*  
*Director – TSO*

**Absent:**

Bev Bryant  
Sandra Cribar  
Anna Caruso

*Director – TCC*  
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*Director – TSO*

John Woodburne  
Dave Taylor

*Director – TSO*  
*VP – TCC*

**COMMENCEMENT**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Jean De Peiza.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve agenda.

Moved by Eric Range / Second by Rob Hamilton / Carried.

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

No special business. Candy Carnovale was unable to report on event and award ceremony but she did express to Jean DePeiza that the event was great and everyone had a good time.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Motion to approve June 2006 minutes.

Moved by Ryan Ward / Second by Frank DeBlasio / Carried.

**REPORTS**

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**Jean De Peiza reported that:**

Just came back from vacation today. Nothing otherwise to report.

**VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORTS**

**Linda Collins reported that:**

Grievance information that was sent to head office was pleased at the information that was sent on. One grievance and two parts, concerning a client and confidentiality.

No report from Dave Taylor as he is on vacation.

**BY-LAW COMMITTEE**

**Dario Gritti reported that:**

We are entitled to one more director for the committee from Front St. Nothing has been drafted but will be posted in September on the notice boards.

**REGULAR BUSINESS****Item 1 – Office Update – purchase of chairs and fridge****Dario Gritti reported that:**

Authorization to acquire a fridge and replace chairs. Apparently, a fridge can be purchased for \$90 from Rona but the sale ends tomorrow.

Motion to purchase chairs up to a maximum of \$600.

Moved by Eric Range / Second by Dario Gritti / Carried.

Motion to purchase a fridge up to a maximum of \$115.

Moved by Eric Range / Second by Dario Gritti / Carried.

**Item 2 – Union Education – Courses/Training**

Jean DePeiza reported that:

The fall Education Schedule has come out and Jean doesn't find a problem with executive members attending. The only course that no one will be eligible to take is the Human Rights course because the second date of the course is the same date as Local 13 Christmas Party.

**Item 3 – Membership Cards**

Jean DePeiza reported that:

Out of 888 members, we have 184 rands that have not filled out their membership forms. There have been forms filled out in the past and Jean questioned Patricia Payton about the forms. All membership forms were handed into head office. Jean will forward all the cards directly to Silvie in head office.

**Item 4 – Political Action****Ryan Ward reported that:**

Research has been done on all the ridings across Toronto to have meetings with the MPs and we are now getting meetings set up with the key ridings across Toronto to get our point across concerning political action.

We are targeting the MPs to educate them on shutting down the counter service. Most of the MPs do not have a clue what is happening in the Agency and they are the ones who approve the budget. If a constituent realizes an MP voted in favour of cancelling counter service for saving only \$500,000 is the message we want to get across. If an MP doesn't listen and play ball, it can also be a matter of record. This is what we need to focus on. The request is to ask the MP to confirm their support. Frank DeBlasio expresses an interest in visiting Olivia Chow's constituency office.

Item 5 – PSAC – Area Council update**Ryan Ward reported that:**

The AGM takes place Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at the PSAC office. At the meeting, there will be prizes given away that include a six-month reprieve on a member organization's membership for the year.

Also during the AGM, there will be a vote to change the amount of dues all components have to pay to the Area Council. This change will reduce the \$0.05 per person per month down to \$0.25 per person per year and will mean we will be paying about \$240 from over \$600 annually.

The Labour Day Parade will take place on Monday, September 4. Anyone interested in taking part should be at Dundas and University by 8 am. PSAC 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary T-Shirts will be available for any union member who attends and everyone will be tossing out suckers with PSAC 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary stickers on them. After the parade you are welcome to go to the CNE.

Item 6 – Local Issues: re: UMC – UMI / grievances / accommodation**Dario Gritti reported that:**

Jerry Dee made the point that UMI needs to be reported. Resolving the problem at the lowest level is important. We have had very minimal problems in audit and in many other divisions. Collections and Bruce Allen himself are the two problem areas. Of the four grievances at fourth level, three of them originated at Collections. The problem is that we are having problems at getting anyone to pay attention in Revenue Collections. Jerry Dee's buddy on the UMI Committee is Bruce Allen. There is the philosophy and if you have a problem with a Team Leader, wave the copy of the document that everyone should have.

We are responsible for implementing UMI and are expected to follow UMI. The two union members selected from the union for the rollout of UMI are Robin Johnston (Toronto West) and Derek (Barrie). Dario wants to get Jerry to understand that we would like to solve the problem before it becomes a big issue. This is not a new issue. The point is that Jerry needs to understand that we are not cranking out grievances just for something to do, if it comes to a change in legislation or urgent issue, we are going to flood Management with grievances only.

**ROUNDTABLE**

Eric Range: No cheques have come for the past two months from the Call Centre.

Jean DePeiza: The United Way Campaign requires a Union Co-Chair for this year and we are in need of choosing a rep. Ryan Ward expressed an interest in taking on the position.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**THAT** Council adjourn forthwith.

The next meeting shall take place Monday, September 11.