

Sector 3 Boards of Education Meeting  
October 1, 2007  
Sudbury Regional OPSEU Office

Welcome

Attending: Lorie St.Amand- Local 614, Kathy Whipple- Local 614, Lesley Chisholm- Local 330, Shannon Thomas -Local 330, Sandy Barker -Local 330, Janet Wright -Staff Representative  
Regrets: Silvana Peterson- Local 330 (currently holding MDT position)

- Acceptance of Previous Minutes

- Acceptance of agenda with the additions: #13 Newsletter, #14 Leadership Development, #15 Web site

- Tours of Gatchell Senior Public School (segregated school),

  - Northeastern Elementary Public School (Largest elementary school in the area)
  - Section 23, Comp. Class
  - Churchill Public School- ASD

- Working plan for BPS

- BPS is now the largest group within OPSEU

- By laws are not yet approved for Sector 3

- Retirement issues a priority due to inequities within contracts and the ability to work past 65 years of age researched, compared and compiled results from Boards of Education Collective Agreements

- Part time worker status, benefits, seniority, hours of work, and job description researched, compared and compiled results from Boards of Education Collective Agreements for submission at the next All Chairs meeting

- Developed Sector 3 budget with Janet –Staff Representative.

- Researched and developed an approximation budget for the Leadership Development Course with Janet

- Update on the Joint Leadership Meeting/ Equity conference that Lesley attended in Toronto East. Building Union Capacity through Equity. EBMs, and Sector Chairs were majority of attendees. Every 2 years a conference will be held. Equity groups – Rainbow, Aboriginal, Workers of Colour Caucus, Young Workers, Women's, Disability – discussed upcoming plans, and what has been accomplished in the past year. Equity in the broader sense and that when

bargaining we need to include all groups and know your membership to include all. Surveys (anonymous) worked well in one group to ensure there are not gaps within the collective agreement.

- Political actions were discussed
- Sector 3 Work Plan that was developed at the BPS Conference revisited and updated
- Sector dues motion will need to be passed by the majority in that \$0.20 per member will be paid by each Local within Sector 3. Minutes from the General Membership Meeting at which this motion was passed will need to be submitted.
- Web Page names of Sector 3 executive have been up on the site but email addresses are incorrect.
- Web site information is Sector developed then maintained by OPSEU
- Backlog Project *Standards and Procedures* document distributed, reviewed and discussed
- Local Capacity Building discussion regarding the documents and clarification
- Newsletter- Sector "Connecting Support" Kathy and Shannon are attending editor's weekend course – Oct.19- 21
- Local updates
- Next Meeting- December 3, 4 2007 Barrie

Minutes revised for internet use by  
Kathy Whipple  
Sector 3 Secretary