**CUPE LOCAL 799**

**November 30, 2017 General Meeting Minutes Trenton Arena**

**Call to Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by President Mike Green

**Role Call of Officers:** President Mike Green - Present

Vice President Scott Reid - Present

Secretary-Treasurer Juanita Evans – Present

Recording Secretary Sara Materman - Present

Chief Steward Doug Villeneuve - Present

Unit Chair Sarah Rosenblath – Absent

**New Member Initiation:**

The following new members were sworn in: Nicole Couvrette

**Reading of Minutes:**

Motion to accept September 14, 2017 general meeting minutes as distributed.

Moved by MaryLou Cross, seconded by Margo Thompson

***CARRIED***

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Motion to accept the treasurer’s report as distributed.

Moved by Carrie Smith, seconded by Margo Thompson

***CARRIED***

* Member questioned why affiliation fees do not show on report. Juanita Evans advised it should and she will look into why they are not appearing.
* President Mike Green advised members that credit card has been obtained which is held with a GIC. Member questioned why previous executive minutes state committee will ask treasurer to look into options, but no options given. President Mike Green advised that decision was made to proceed with obtaining card to facilitate upcoming bookings for training purposes.

Motion by MaryLou Cross to ratify decision made by executive to obtain credit card held with GIC.

Seconded by Margo Thompson

***CARRIED***

**Unfinished Business:** N/A

**Executive Board Reports:**

Motion to approve executive meeting minutes as distributed.

Moved by Doug Villeneuve, seconded by MaryLou Cross

***CARRIED***

**Committee Reports:**

*Holiday Party Committee:*

Margo Thompson spoke on behalf of Holiday Party Committee.

* Total of 82 people have purchased tickets to attend dinner
* Members who did not purchase tickets are welcome to attend party after the dinner
* Location confirmed and party will be held at Batawa Ski Hill
* Total cost of Holiday Party to date is approximately $6600.00
* Suggestions for rides include Operation Red Nose, Designated Drivers, Taxis

MaryLou Cross advised that committee may be able to reserve 1 or more teams from Safer Way Home – a service similar to Operation Red Nose – that has teams of two drivers take you and your vehicle home. The cost to reserve one team is $300 for 3 hours, two teams is $600 for 3 hours.

Motion by MaryLou Cross to reserve three teams – if available - from Safer Way Home for the party.

Seconded by Margo Thompson

***CARRIED***

Motion by MaryLou Cross to donate portion of remaining Holiday Party budget to charity - $1000.00 to Adopt-a-Child and $3000.00 to the Food Bank. Seconded by Doug Villeneuve

Motion by Anne-Marie Cunningham to amend previous motion to include VON Christmas for Seniors and Club 105. Seconded by MaryLou Cross

Motion by Margo Thompson to amend both previous motions and donate $5000.00 of remaining Holiday Party budget - $1000.00 per charity – to Adopt-a-Child, Food Bank, VON Christmas for Seniors, Club 105, and the Kinsmen Toy Drive. Seconded by Doug Villeneuve

***CARRIED***

Member questioned if any assistance is available through local for our own members who may be struggling. Suggestion by other members to have information circulated regarding assistance that may be available through either Local 799 or CUPE National.

*Labor Management Committee:*

* Procedures at new OPS building to be discussed with Director of Public Works
* There is currently a policy grievance being pursued regarding hiring procedures
* President Mike Green will provide any available updates at next general meeting
* Due to a retirement, a new labor management representative from Group A is needed – this will be included in the agenda for the next general meeting in January 2018

**New Business**

Affiliations: Motion to continue affiliations as written in the current By-Laws for Local 799.

Moved by Doug Villeneuve, seconded by MaryLou Cross

***CARRIED***

799.1 Duties: Request to be made to CUPE National representative for guidance on including definition of duties for 799.1 Unit Chair. Information to be provided at next meeting if available.

Retiree Gifts: Discussion on purchasing gifts for retiring members. Member advised past practice was to set a dollar amount per year in union and worked well. Suggestion made to form committee to determine how to implement standard procedure for purchasing gifts. Margo Thompson to form survey and gather feedback re options for purchasing retiree gifts.

Draw Winner: Carrie Smith

Meeting adjourned by President Mike Green at 6:08pm