

*MINUTES of the PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE MEETING held at
Shaw Conference Centre, Edmonton, Alberta on
October 12-15, 2011*

Time: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 1:00 PM

Place: Shaw Conference Centre, Edmonton, Alberta

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
President Guy Smith, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 12:55 P.M.

2. **ROLL CALL, INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

ROLL CALL:

Present:

G. Smith, President	M. Metcalf, Loc. 006
B. Dechant, Exec. Sec-Treas.	B. Nahornick, Loc. 069
S. Azocar, Vice-President	D. Niven, Loc. 004
P. Bates Renouf, Vice-President	K. Noble, Loc. 039
J. Heistad, Vice-President	J. Noel, Loc. 057
S. Kyle, Vice-President	L. Pestano, Loc. 049
E. Raz, Vice-President	A. Randall, Loc. 001
G. Scott, Vice-President	B. Rovensky, Loc. 071
K. Brzezicki, Loc. 043	M. Sabo, Loc. 053
J. Byron, Loc. 054	K. Sputek, Loc. 118
S. Christensen, Loc. 042	M. Steele, Loc. 002
M. Dempsey, Loc. 005	D. Tilleman, Loc. 052
M. Ellis, Loc. 012	S. Veldhoen, Loc. 048
R. Feland, Loc. 038	S. Walker, Loc. 058
I. Gaudet, Loc. 060	K. Weiers, Loc. 095
H. Griffith, Loc. 003	S. Wilson, Loc. 020
L. Hansen, Loc. 056	M. Wright, Loc. 041
J. Jacques, Loc. 047	J. Yeoman, Loc. 050
J. Leblanc, Loc. 044	J. Zawada, Loc. 045
D. Mason, Loc. 009	

Alternate:

B. MacDonald, Loc. 046

Absent with Regrets:

J. Spencer, Loc. 046

Staff:

R. Hodgins, Executive Director
J. Oyarzun, Director of Labour Relations
C. Soderstrom, Director of Labour Relations
C. Battrick, Supervisor, Financial Services
M. Guido, Administrative Assistant

3. **STATEMENT OF EQUALITY**
Read by Vice-President Sandra Azocar.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

4.1 MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED to approve the agenda as amended.

5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** of September 08 and 09, 2011.

Motion 7.8.6 should read Stoney Trail Mazda
Karen Weiers was in attendance on Friday rather than Saturday.

5.1 MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 08 and 09, 2011 as amended.

6. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The President thanked the Provincial Executive for the leadership role they have played these past two years.

6.1 MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED to approve the report of President Guy Smith for September as contained on the PE Portal and provided as a hand-out.

7. **NEW AND/OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

^a Policy on Local Chairs Meeting

7.1 **MOTION TO LIFT FROM THE TABLE** Motion 9.1.2 from the September 08 and 09, 2011 PE Minutes.
MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED

7.1.2 **MOTION:** To adopt the Policy on Local Chairs Meeting.
MOVED SECONDED

A member indicated this Motion should be ruled out of order as it contravenes the Constitution in that only Convention can set a Committee.

The President advised he would not rule this out of order as it could form part of AUPE Policy and does not have an impact on the Constitution.

7.1.3 **CHALLENGE TO THE CHAIR**

Vice-President Azocar is in the Chair.

The Challenger refers to Article 15 in the Constitution that Convention may direct the President to establish a committee.

The President responded the reason he did not rule this out of order is he does not see this as a Committee established under the Constitution. This

meeting is a process by which Local Chairs can gather and debate issues of common concern. They have no ability to direct the Union apart from coming to some conclusion to support each other.

7.1.4 **SHALL THE CHAIR BE SUSTAINED?**
CARRIED

7.1.5 **MOTION TO AMEND:**
To amend 6.4:
Resolutions for consideration may, by way of motion, be forwarded ~~by the chairs to the Provincial Executive or brought forward~~ to convention through individual Locals.
MOVED SECONDED and DEFEATED

7.1.6 **VOTING ON ORIGINAL MOTION:**
To adopt New Policy on Local Chairs (see attached).
CARRIED

^a Emergency Resolution

7.2 **MOTION:** To forward Emergency Resolution to Convention.
MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED

Emergency Resolution

WHEREAS Premier Redford has stated that all Government Departments must demonstrate why the services they deliver should not be privatized; and

WHEREAS Premier Redford's stated intention is to consider a wholesale privatization, contracting out, and divestment of crucial public services to the most vulnerable citizens of Alberta; and

WHEREAS Privatization of Government services results in higher costs to Albertans, reduced accountability, responsibility, accessibility and service standards, and a loss of experienced and committed staff;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that AUPE develop a comprehensive campaign to aggressively fight back against any attempts by the Government to privatize, contract out, and abandon responsibility for crucial core public services, and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Locals and Sectors of AUPE support a campaign to fight back against any attempts by the Government to privatize, contract out, and abandon responsibility for delivery of public services.

^a Financial Motion

7.3 **MOTION:** To transfer \$60,000 from General Revenue to the Members Benefits Operating Funds.
MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED

^a Motion to Environmental Committee

- 7.4 **MOTION:** That AUPE (through the Environmental Standing Committee) make donations to facilitate the planting of seedlings to compensate for the large volume of printed materials that we produce.

MOVED SECONDED

The direction was to refer the Motion to the Environmental Committee to determine the appropriate recipient and amount and forwards this to the Finance Committee to bring back to the Provincial Executive.

- 7.4.1 **MOTION TO REFER:** To the Environmental Committee.
MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED

8. **MOTION TO RECESS:** And if not reconvened during Convention then to automatically adjourn at the close of Convention.

MOVED SECONDED and CARRIED

The meeting recessed at 1:54 PM.

9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, December 2 and 3, 2011 at AUPE Headquarters. A social event is scheduled for Mayfield Dinner Theatre on Friday evening, December 2.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

- 10.1 **MOTION TO ADJOURN:**
MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED

The meeting automatically adjourned at 2:50 PM following the adjournment of Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy Smith
President

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Cheryl Austin

PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE MEETING
October 12 – 15, 2011

<u>BY WHOM</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
President	Ensure new Policy on Local Chairs Meeting distributed. Take Emergency Resolution to Convention.
Exec Sec-Treasurer	Transfer \$60,000 from General Revenue to Members Benefits Operating Funds
Chair of Env Committee	Take Motion 7.4 to Environmental Committee.

	7.3			ABST
	YES	NO	ABST	
SMITH				
DECHANT	✓			
AZOCAR	✓			
BATES RENOUF	✓			
HEISTAD	✓			
KYLE	✓			
RAZ	✓			
SCOTT	✓			
BRZEZICKI	✓			
BYRON	✓			
CHRISTENSEN	✓			
DEMPSEY	✓			
ELLIS	✓			
FELAND	✓			
GAUDET	✓			
GRIFFITH	✓			
HANSEN	✓			
JACQUES	✓			
LEBLANC	✓			
MASON	✓			
METCALF	✓			
NAHORNICK	✓			
NIVEN	✓			
NOBLE	✓			
NOEL	✓			
PESTANO	✓			
RANDALL	✓			
ROVENSKY	✓			
SABO	✓			
SPUTEK	✓			
STEELE	✓			
TILLEMAN	✓			
VELDHOEN	✓			
WALKER	✓			
WEIERS	✓			
WILSON	✓			
WRIGHT	✓			
YEOMAN	✓			
ZAWADA	✓			
Alternate:				
MacDONALD	✓			

LOCAL CHAIRS**26-1**

Provincial Executive – October 12, 2011

26-1 Policy on Local Chairs MeetingMembership

- 1.1 This policy, establishes a formalized Local Chairs meeting consisting of the President of AUPE, and the Chair of each Local wishing to participate.

Chair and Vice-Chair

- 2.1 The President of AUPE shall be the de facto chair of the meeting.
- 2.2 The Chair shall elect or appoint, from its members, a Vice-Chair to preside over each meeting. This position shall rotate among the Chairs and may be decided either at the previous or present meeting.

Purpose

- 3.1 The purpose will be the following:
 - 3.1.a to provide a forum for the sharing of information
 - 3.1.b to discuss common issues affecting Locals
 - 3.1.c to work co-operatively in the mobilization of AUPE members

Expenses

- 4.1 Expenses incurred by the Local Chairs or their designate for the purpose of attending the meeting of the Local Chairs will be the responsibility of that Local Chair's Local.
- 4.2 AUPE Headquarters will cover the meal costs of the Local Chairs meeting.

Meetings

- 5.1 It is anticipated that the Chairs will meet quarterly but may meet more or less frequently as determined by the consensus of the chairs.
- 5.2 In the event a Local Chair is unable to attend a meeting they may designate an alternate to represent the Local. It is preferable that the alternate be the Vice-Chair of the Local or if the Vice-Chair is unavailable, another member of the Local Executive.
- 5.3 Quorum for meetings shall be fifty percent plus one (50% + 1) of the members.
- 5.4 Votes shall be determined by a simple majority.

Reports and Resolutions

- 6.1 Minutes of meetings shall be prepared and copies shared on a timely basis with the Chair of each Local and the members of the Provincial Executive and Executive Committee.
- 6.2 General action items will be returned to the Locals and brought to the Provincial Executive if required by individual Locals through their respective Provincial Executive representatives.

- 6.2.a In the event that an action item is time sensitive, it may, by way of motion, be taken directly to the President of AUPE.
- 6.3 Information items may, by way of motion, be forwarded as appropriate to the Executive Committee, Provincial Executive or Standing Committees.
- 6.4 Resolutions for consideration may, by way of motion, be forwarded by the Chairs of the Provincial Executive or brought forward to Convention through individual Locals.