



Public Services YES

PSAC North • 5th Triennial Convention

Iqaluit, NU • June 17 – 19, 2011

CONVENTION CALL

To All: PSAC Locals with members working or residing in the North; PSAC Territorial Area Councils; PSAC Regional Womens' Committees; PSAC Regional Committees; PSAC Regional Health and Safety Committees; PSAC Alliance Facilitators' Networks; PSAC Component National Officers who are members of a Northern Local; PSAC Regional Youth Committees; PSAC North NAPC Representatives; and PSAC North Regional Council Members.

The 5th Triennial Convention of PSAC North, the body that represents all members of the Public Service Alliance of Canada working or residing in the North, will be held in Iqaluit, Nunavut the week-end of June 17 – 19, 2011.

Please Note: The PSAC North Regional Health and Safety Conference will be held in conjunction with the PSAC North Convention. The PSAC North Regional Health & Safety Conference will be held on June 16, 2011. Locals may want to take advantage of the opportunity to have their representatives participate in both events. Details about the Health and Safety Regional Conference will be distributed separately but PSAC North will work with the organizing committee of that conference to the extent possible to facilitate the participation of PSAC members in both events.

Who Can be a Delegate to PSAC North's Convention?

Section 8 of the PSAC North By-Laws, (reprinted below), determines who can be a delegate at PSAC North Conventions:

SECTION 8

Representation at the PSAC North Triennial Convention

Sub-Section (1)

Each PSAC Local with members working or residing in the North, shall be entitled to two delegates up to the first 300 members and one additional delegate for each additional 300 members or major portion thereof.



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Sub-Section (2)

Two (2) delegates entitlement from each of the three Northern Territories to represent established PSAC Territorial Area Councils.

Sub-Section (3)

Two (2) delegates entitlement from each of the three Northern Territories to represent established PSAC Regional Women's Committees.

Sub-Section (4)

Two (2) delegates entitlement from each established PSAC Regional Committee.

Sub-Section (5)

Two (2) delegates entitlement from each of the three Northern Territories to represent established PSAC Regional Health and Safety Committees.

Sub-Section (6)

Two (2) delegates entitlement from each of the three Northern Territories to represent established PSAC Alliance Facilitators' Networks.

Sub-Section (7)

All PSAC Component National Officers who are members of a Northern Local and have residence in the North, shall be entitled to attend the PSAC North Triennial Convention as delegates.

Sub-Section (8)

PSAC North Regional Council members shall have delegate status to the PSAC North Triennial Convention.

Sub-Section (9)

Two (2) delegates entitlement from each of the three Northern Territories to represent established PSAC Young Workers Committees.

Sub-Section (10)

The two representatives of the PSAC National Aboriginal, Inuit and Metis Circle for the North shall have delegate status to the PSAC North Triennial Convention.

Sub-Section (11)

To be accredited, all delegates to the PSAC North Triennial Conventions must complete an approved delegate credential form and submit it to the Regional Executive Vice-President at least six months prior to the opening of Convention.



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Convention Materials:

The proposed Convention Agenda and Rules of Order, along with copies of PSAC North By-Laws and other important documents, will be made available on the PSAC North web site at www.psanorth.com/convention2011. Resolutions submitted to Convention will be posted as they are received. In advance of Convention, committees will consider and make recommendations on all resolutions, as well as on other business that is to come before convention. Committee reports will be posted on the web site as soon as they are available.

Delegate Kits:

Delegate kits will be available at the Convention Registration Desk.

Convention Accommodations:

Convention will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Air Cadet Hall in Iqaluit. Convention accommodations will be at the following hotels:

Frobisher Inn Astro Hill Complex Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0 (867) 979-2222 www.frobisherinn.com	Nova Inn 923 Federal Road Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0 (867) 979-6684 www.novainniqaluit.ca	Navigator Inn 1036 Ring Road Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0 (867) 979-6201	Capital Suites Building 807 Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0 Tel: (867) 975-4000 www.capitalsuites.ca/node/8
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Delegates must make their own reservations by calling one of the hotels directly. Once the delegate lists are completed, an advisory will be sent out to delegates indicating when the hotel will start accepting reservations.

Delegate Subsidy:

PSAC North Regional Triennial Convention is not fully funded; therefore, Delegates' travel or Loss of Salary will not be funded. PSAC North will cover accommodation and per diem. In addition, a subsidy may be available to help cover other expenses out of the block of funding PSAC North gets to put on Convention. The amount of the subsidy will be based on various factors such as distance and time one has to travel to get to Iqaluit and return home. Definite figures on the amount of the subsidies will be available shortly after the **December 17, 2010** registration deadline.



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Non-Smoking and Scent-Free:

All convention meeting rooms and other facilities will be non-smoking and scent-free. We ask for your kind co-operation.

Resolutions:

To be included in the Convention Kit, resolutions must be submitted to PSAC North by **December 17, 2010**. Section 7 Sub-Section (3) b) of the PSAC North's By-Laws defines who can submit resolutions. It states: "Convention shall:

- b) Deal with all resolutions and matters submitted to it in the approved form at least six (6) months prior to the opening of Convention by the PSAC North Regional Council, the northern components, PSAC Locals; and from the PSAC Regional Women's Committees, PSAC Territorial Area Councils, PSAC constitutionally recognized Regional Committees, PSAC Alliance Facilitators Networks, PSAC Regional Health and Safety Committees and, PSAC Young Workers Committees in good standing;"

Translation:

The convention will be conducted in English. Translation services will be provided upon request. To ensure that arrangements can be made, please ensure you identify your translation needs on the enclosed Special Needs form.

Special Needs:

Sign Language interpretation, alternate format materials and other accommodation will be provided based on needs identified on the Special Needs Request Form. To ensure that arrangements are made, please ensure your needs are identified.

Guests and Observers:

Members wishing to observe at convention, and delegates intending to bring spouses or other guests, are asked to notify the PSAC North office of their intention. The number of observers may be limited depending on available space. PSAC North will assume no costs related to guests and observers.

Local travel agents have been invited to prepare tours and other activity packages that might be of interest to guests. More information about these opportunities will be made available as it becomes available. Guests can attend the banquet at their own expense.



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Registration:

For each delegate please complete one set of the enclosed Registration and Special Need Request forms. The completed registration forms must be received by PSAC North by **December 17, 2010**. Fax them to 867-873-4295, email to northconvention2011@psac.com or mail them to:

Registration
PSAC North Triennial Convention
P.O. Box 2316
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2P7

I look forward to seeing you in Iqaluit.

In Solidarity,

Jean-François Des Lauriers
Regional Executive Vice-President, PSAC North

Encl.: Registration/Credential Form
Special Needs Request Form

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