

# MINUTES

## SUPPORT STAFF JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, March 11, 2008 – 10:00 am  
Sci 253

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Present</b>
George Athans	P
Ken Beckett	P
Melody Burton	P
Jackie Podger	P
Leslie Honscharow	R
Tena McKenzie	R
Judy Moroz	R
Karen Whitehouse	P
Rob Wotherspoon	P

Recorder: C Neid

1. **Call to Order – Chair BCGEU** – Rob Wotherspoon – 9:55
2. **Approval of Agenda** – Approved as Circulated.
3. **Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2008**

Ken advised that he sent out information regarding the elimination of mandatory retirement to his members.

Minutes approved as circulated.

4. **Old Business:**

No business to discuss.

5. **New Business:**

### UBC Items:

BCGEU – SSPD Fund

The Support Staff PD committee has come forward with recommendations to amend the terms of reference. These amendments were outlined in the memo of February 28, 2008 which was circulated to everyone.

Discussion ensued regarding past and present usage of the PD funds. It was agreed that adding the entitlement of auxiliary employees was a good idea. Entitlement would be allowed after 6 months consecutive service.

This committee agreed to the following recommendations:

- Allow the increase to \$1200 per employee;
- Allow eligibility to auxiliary employees after 6 months consecutive service;
- These recommendations would be for a one year trial period under new criteria with a review after one year;
- An MOU would be drawn up, for one year, regarding the change to eligibility article 56.3 in the CA;
- The SSPD committee will review the possibility of group applications and come up with guidelines for this specific process. It was suggested that a separate fund be created using the current SSPD to facilitate departmental PD opportunities. A figure of approximately 30% of the current fund would be allotted for departments who would apply to the committee as well.

Jackie encouraged everyone to think about ways to utilize the funds.

BCGEU Items:

No items at this time.

Ken advised that his shift will be changing and his days off will be Mon and Tues. He will come in on Tuesday but would appreciate reviewing dates of meetings for the fall.

**Next meeting:** *April 8, 2008*  
**Location:** *Sci 253*  
**Time:** *10:00 am*