

**BEC Emergency Call
April 22, 2015**

Attendees:

Natalie Clancy
Wil Fundal
Chantal Payant
Wendy Martin
Dave Croft
Jonathan Spence
Marc-Philippe Laurin
Annick Forest
Naomi Robinson
Gaynette Spafford
Michael D' Souza
Allan Gofenko
Harry Mesh
John O'Connor
Dominique Delisle

Guest: Lise Lareau

Meeting called to order at 7:35pm.

MPL explained to the BEC that the Toronto LEC intended to go ahead with a survey of its members.

Harry Mesh put forward a motion for debate.

Motion: that the BEC reconsider its decision not to send the amended "BEC version" of the survey, and as such send it to the general membership at CBC contingent on the understanding that the "Toronto version" survey be withdrawn.
M/S Mesh/Gofenko

Mesh said he does not think the idea of doing a survey is a bad idea - as long as it is far and in a multi-answer format.

MPL suggested the motion be bifurcated.

MOTION: That the BEC ask the NEC to stop the Toronto LEC survey, because it could be harmful to the membership and the relationship.

There was a lot of discussion among BEC members about the motion. Some felt the BEC should not impose its will on the Toronto LEC. Others spoke in support of the motion, saying that the survey could harm the entire union by damaging the relationship with CBC management.

Lise Lareau said she felt there were two issues: who's in charge of whether the survey can proceed, and the relationship with the CBC is already at a low point. She said the location unit was trying to engage their membership and that all the BEC was debating, was whether the NEC should be involved. MPL said this highlights an issue with the bylaws that needs to be addressed, to make clear which body has decision making power.

Recorded vote on the motion.

Fundal	No
Croft	Yes
Forest	No
Clancy	No
Spence	No
Robinson	Abstains
Martin	No
Spafford	Yes
Payant	No
D'Souza	No
Gofenko	Yes
Mesh	Yes
O'Connor	Yes

Motion is defeated.

Mesh said if the survey is sent out from the national office, it will look as though the national body endorses it. He asks that any email communication make it clear, that the survey is from the Toronto local.

MOTION: That any communication about the survey make it clear that it is an initiative of the Toronto LEC, not reflecting the intentions of the BEC or NEC.

M/S Mesh/??

Recorded vote.

Fundal	Yes
Croft	Yes
Forest	Yes
Clancy	Yes
Spence	Abstains
Robinson	Yes
Martin	Yes
Spafford	Yes
Payant	No
D'Souza	Yes
Gofenko	Yes

Mesh Yes
O'Connor Yes

Motion is carried.

MOTION: That the BEC reconsider the decision not to send out the "amended version" of the survey, and to send it to the general membership.

M/S Mesh/Clancy

No debate.

Recorded vote.

Fundal	No
Croft	No
Forest	Abstains
Clancy	No
Spence	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Martin	Yes
Spafford	No
Payant	No
D'Souza	No
Gofenko	Yes
Mesh	No
O'Connor	Yes

Motion is defeated.

MPL said he hopes in future, all locations can work together in a more collaborative fashion.

Meeting adjourns.