

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MINUTES</b> <b>NATIONAL COUNCIL CONFERENCE CALL</b> <b>May 12, 2020</b></p>
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**In attendance:**

Shimen Fayad, A/National President  
Benoît Thibault, A/National Vice-President  
Robert Chafe, RVP, Newfoundland and Labrador  
Karla Levangie-Connor, RVP, Atlantic  
Marc Blanchard, RVP, Scotia-Fundy  
Luc Bouvier, A/RVP, Quebec  
Maryse Veilleux, RVP, Quebec  
Rubin Kooner, RVP, NCR  
Diane Girouard, RVP, NCR  
Cheryl Sullivan, RVP, Ontario  
Kevin Lundstrom, RVP, Ontario  
Faye Kingyens, RVP Manitoba  
Larry Schlosser, RVP, Saskatchewan  
Mark Gilchrist, RVP, Prairie and Northern  
Darlene Lewis, RVP, Alberta/BC  
Richard May, RVP, BC/Yukon

**Regrets:**

Steve Maund, RVP, NB/PEI

**CALL TO ORDER**

The conference call of the National Council was called to order at 2:00 pm on May 12, 2020, with Sister Shimen Fayad, A/National President, in the Chair.

**NBOD Update**

Sister Fayad provided an update following her conference calls with the NBOD, ie: Discussions with Treasury Board, Policy Grievance in regards to leave code 699, extended deadlines for grievances and arbitration, proposals in regards to deadline for PSAC Convention resolutions and delegates, TB negotiations.

### **2020 UHEW Scholarship**

The Honours and Awards Chairperson, Brother Mark Gilchrist, provides some information on the new format for the Scholarships. This year, candidates can choose between 3 different topics for their 500 word essay. They also pushed the deadline to July 29, 2020, due to the pandemic, but will provide enough time for the Committee to review and offer the scholarships before the start of the fall school schedule.

MOTION: m/s Gilchrist/Kingyens

That the report of the Honours and Awards on the UHEW 2020 Scholarship be adopted.

CARRIED (RV 1)

***Point of Privilege:*** Brother Marc Blanchard, RVP-Scotia-Fundy, is inquiring on why the By-Laws Committee will not present its report during the 2020 Spring Council meeting.

Sister Fayad explains that the Spring meeting is a modified and shortened Council meeting. Also, since the UHEW Convention has been postponed and that the By-Laws Committee's report refers to changes to the UHEW By-Laws, it would be best to review these changes and created resolutions at the Spring 2021 meeting, prior to the UHEW Convention.