

Political Action chair report March 25th 2017

Brothers and Sisters

My report today is on the continually changing landscape that is our political system,

First off lets discuss our provincial politics, as you have heard Jason Kenney is now the PC leader and he is going for a “unite the right movement “with the Wildrose. Merging the parties, According to Elections Alberta if two parties want to merge the must disband both parties surrender all finances from both parties and start from scratch. Under lections Alberta regulations it is strictly forbidden to transfer funds from one political party to another, with that being said four PC lawyers are trying to challenge the laws sad that the PC’s/Wildrose don’t care about the rules and regulations as long as what they do benefits them!

Some of the statements made by Mr. Kenney are a little concerning such as if he is elected premier he will spend his Mandate repealing all the legislation that the NDP is implementing such as Bill 6 which is the workers compensation act for farmers, A law that gives workers the right to refuse unsafe work, be covered if there injured or worse? . , In the year since the act was implemented there were 395 reported WCB claims and two deaths on Alberta farms If Mr. Kenney repeals this law farmworkers will no longer be covered and deaths and injury’s do not have to be reported, With WCB coverage Occupational Health and safety is required to attend any workplace accidents that result in serious injury or death.

I attended the electoral boundaries hearings on Feb 21st and it was very interesting! There was a fair amount of public and political input brought up, Both the PC, s and the Wildrose had members there to try and sway the boundaries to make them more accessible and convenient for the prospective party’s The Federal PC leadership race is heating up with Kevin O’Leary supposedly losing some ground and popularity, he has only attended one debate but has had his own “town hall” meetings he has also accused some other PC candidates of buying untraceable credit cards and signing up membership’s without people knowing there being signed up? Nothing has been proven yet and it is under investigation.

Prime minister Trudeau has gone back on his election promise of voter reform and I don’t think he was ready for the pushback from Canadians and other political parties that came down on him he was called a liar, “the most cynical of politicians” By the NDP in the House of Commons, what can we, as citizens do about it unfortunately not too much however it is something to remember during the next federal election if you would like to contact the prime minister his email address is justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca feels free to contact him or you MLA and express your opinion

Thank you I move my report