



**MINUTES OF BRISTOL TRADES UNION COUNCIL HELD ON
28th October 2020
Via Zoom**

1. ATTENDEES

Sheila Caffrey (President - NEU), Simon Crew (Secretary - UNITE), 9 delegates from Unite, 3 delegates from PCS, 1 delegate from UCU, 1 delegate from NUJ, 1 delegate from USDAW and 1 delegate from GMB

Guest: Nigel Costley (SWTUC).

2. APOLOGIES:

3 from UNITE and 1 from GMB.

The president opened the meeting paying tribute to Nina Franklin, other delegates also spoke and members held a minutes silence in Nina's memory.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

These were unanimously agreed as a true record.

4. MATTERS ARISING: Unemployed workers motion – It was proposed at the executive and agreed that Roger would lead on this, an initial meeting will be held, branches will also be invited to send a delegate.

5. REPORTS

Glos Strikes – The Secretary attended a planning meeting and a Key Workers Summit is being organized, some key workers will speak – including our President – and members will split into groups to discuss organizing and representing key workers. A delegate from PCS said it is important that trades Councils link up like this and we should encourage activists to attend which was agreed.

SWTUC – The President attended the Regional Council, Frances O’Grady and Darren Jones were the speakers. The threat to Union learn was emphasized as a government attack which must be strongly opposed.

Website – It was advised a new section has been added for Branch news.

Rally for Jobs – A PCS delegate reported on a successful event.

6. SPEAKER

Nigel started paying tribute to Nina and spoke on covid situation, Marvin’s “One City Approach”, WECA meetings and the invisibility of the Metro Mayor, History Commission, Radical history School, Reps training. Members asked questions and discussed these issues and thanked Nigel for his contribution.

7. MOTIONS

Executive Motion “That we Purchase a Zoom account” proposed by the President seconded by Tom agreed.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

SWTUC AGM and Annual Trades Councils Meeting nominations by 15th February.
TUC registration.
JCC bulletin.

9. AOB

BLM rally Sunday 2pm College Green. Rules will be presented next month for agreement in February AGM.

Next meeting 25th November