January 9, 2014 SKSR Executive Board Minutes

Attendees: President Cheryl Bauer, Vice President Roberta Hawkins, Secretary Jan Phillips, Treasurer Donna Murrish, Linda Fitzgerald, Evelyn Nordeen, Virg Rayton, Rita Requa, Jim Siscel, Erma Snook

The meeting was called to order at 1:05. Cheryl welcomed everyone and we all joined in the flag salute. The minutes of the November Executive Board meeting on November 14 were amended and approved. A summary of the general meeting on November 21 was adopted.

OFFICER REPORTS

Treasurer Donna Murrish reported that we made \$58.50 on the cookie sales at the December sing-along. She commented that we need a new line item for the rent of the storage facility. It was moved and seconded that we have a new line item for the rental of the storage facility. The motion was passed.

President Cheryl Bauer talked about the "willingness to serve" form from the NW District. Our District rep will continue to be Marianne Harvey. There are open spots on state committees and for the President-Elect position. She sent around the deceased member report. The foundation is asking for a basket from our unit for the convention. She also led a discussion on the need to get a luncheon coordinator and to have a list of "to do items" that can be used.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – Cheryl reported that the ending balance for the Winnie Smith Scholarship fund is \$171,198.

Legislative – Rita stated that the legislative session formally began on January 8, 2014 and is expected to be a 60 day session. The bill calling for the creation of 401K pension can be on the table. The revenue projection for the end of 2015 is \$100 million to the good. Cheryl or Rita will forward info coming from the legislature.

Membership – Jim handed out a report on membership showing the state count as well as a unit-by-unit count.

Webmaster – Jim has received comments from readers that they have enjoyed reading about member's trips.

Grants – Virg commented that the grant process has gone smoothly, but that having an earlier due date helped. The checks could be delivered by Christmas. There are still a few being delivered this month. There were 42 grants. Everyone who applied did receive some money. Cheryl asked and it was agreed that the grant process could be tweaked to show what the impact was for students. Virg will bring back a proposal next month.

Scholarships – Linda met with Keith last week and information will be in schools within a couple of weeks. There are a number of ways that students receive information about the scholarship. The due date for their application is March 21. Copies will then be made and sent out to the committee.

Sunshine – Evie sent out: a sympathy card to the family of Ray Witham, a sympathy card to Phyllis Cleven due to the death of her husband, a sympathy card to the family of Evelyn Davis, a get well card to Dick Gourley and a get well card to Gina Harmon.

Health - Rita has contacted Gary about the magazines

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Storage unit – Cheryl has a key as do Erma and Donna. It will be paid with an automatic withdrawal from our checking account.

Entertainment Books -- We will use the free books for part of the raffle in February. We made \$537.50. Erma moved that we drop the sale of Entertainment books as a trial. Jim seconded and it was passed. After further discussion of lost revenue it was proposed that we attempt to find someone to run the campaign.

November luncheon review -- Good comments from the board and from NW District.

December sing-along – had 23 people involved. The pacing worked well for the purchase of the cookies.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Food Lifeline --- January service project. We are to meet at 12:30 at the warehouse. We can still have more people so Erma will send out a reminder.

February general meeting – There will be a heart transplant individual who will speak.

March field trip – Cheryl asked for a vote and the consensus was for MOHAI. We will facilitate carpooling. The members will be responsible for their own entry fee and we will ask that they help with gas and parking.

NEW BUSINESS

Spring Luncheon—the program will be an Edmonds School District music group.

NW-1 Report - three members attended. Report is attached.

Bulletin – articles due by January 16 and folding will be on the 27th,

Retirement Seminars – Jim has the schedule. He is changing how time will be handled for the volunteers.

Members at Local Level—this is mainly concerning the classified staff. Jim presented a proposal, which was discussed. Then the idea was tabled until our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted.

Jan Phillips

Secretary