

SKSR Executive Board meeting

January 11, 2018

Attendees: Co-President Jim Siscel, Vice President Roberta Hawkins, Secretary Jan Phillips, Treasurer Tom Hawkins, Barbara Berg, Linda Fitzgerald, Diana McQuay (arrived late), Virg Rayton, Erma Snook

Co-President Jim Siscel called the meeting to order at 1PM.

The minutes for the November 9 Executive Board meeting were approved as correct.

The minutes for the General Meeting (Scholarship brunch) were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's report — Tom reported that the Edward Jones (Winnie Smith) fund had \$169,045.39 in it. It made \$1,819.72. The Edward Jones (SKSR Scholarship) fund had \$45,062.45. It made \$426.67. Jim and Andrea Siscel made a donation of \$1,000 to the SKSR Scholarship Fund. The Washington Federal checking account has \$21,818.93 and the SKSR savings has \$7,179.37. Twenty-five of the grant award checks have already been cashed. We received \$2,767 from WSSRA. There were two individuals who found their names in the last Bulletin. They each received \$25. He made 4 memorial transfer. Tom also noted that Postage will go up by a penny. He has renewed the bulk mailing permit.

Finance — Done in the Treasurer's report.

Legislative — None a chair is still needed.

Membership — Jim reported that we have 1,390 members with 10 pending.

Grants — Virg reported that most of the presentations have been made and that the rest will be completed by the end of the month.

Scholarships — Linda and Keith are getting the scholarship applications in the schools and they are available on the web site.

Sunshine — Evie sent the following report: sympathy card to the family of Sharlene Soltero, sympathy card to the family of Tricia Biles, sympathy card for Mark Lust and family in memory of his wife, Marilyn, Sympathy card to the

family of Barbara Havens, and sympathy card to Sally Barnum in memory of Eric Barnum.

Scrapbook — Barbara had no report

Records — Erma reported that there was a nice turnout of people to help with the folding of the Bulletin.

Website — Jim has most of the recent postings on the front page with links to the actual stories.

December 7 gathering — Erma was thanked for providing the activities to go along with the Brunch.

Food Lifeline — Roberta reported that there may be between 6 and 7 people going. The lack of response had many causes.

February General Membership meeting will be held from 12:30 - 2 because the room is needed later. The Northshore School Superintendent may be there.

March field trip — NOAA — Time will be 1:30 - 2:30. They need the names of the attendees. There can be no more than 20. There will be more information later.

April Scholarship Luncheon — Alan Burke, Executive Director for WSSRA, will be there. Bistro 76 in Perrinville will do the catering. A menu was picked. Currently there is no board member in charge of this event.

N W 1 Report — Jim reported that Whatcom is considering how to provide for homeless children. Reading of scholarship applications will be on March 19. We need to provide individuals to help with this. The AMBA rep gave some information. Kurt Horne was the speaker. We have been asked to designate a Health month and have speakers dealing with this.

Directory Update — Two documents will be sent out. One will deal with membership information and the other with organizational materials.

Scholarship Policy change proposals — Jim handed out the proposed changes. They formalize the policy material for Edward Jones. It was moved and seconded to approve the changes. The agent will be notified of the changes.

Further changes will be a topic for the retreat with those being brought to the May meeting for discussion.

\$25 for reading the Bulletin — Jo Caldwell shared her feelings that putting the names in the middle of a sentence interrupts the flow. She also recommended that we drop this. After much discussion, it was decided to put the name at the end of the paragraph. We also will keep data on the number of people who claim the \$25 until the end of this fiscal year. That data will then be compared with prior data. We will reevaluate this at the retreat.

Retreat date — We need to pick a date and place as the original date is not working. This will be done in February.

After discussion, it was decided that Rita Requa will be an emeritus board member as we do not want to lose her historical perspective.

NW - 1 Needs — We need to provide individuals for the following positions; WSSR Trustee Foundation, Rules and Resolution committee, and Finance committee. Jim and Cheryl have Willingness to serve forms.

Next month we need to nominate individuals for both the Patrick Hoban and the Stan McNaughton awards.

Good fo the order — Erma asked that we consider if giving a \$100 partial grant award was the best way to apportion dollars when we have more requests for grant money than we can fulfill with allotted budget. This brought up a discussion on how to distribute grant awards. This is an item for the board retreat.

Jim will send out a sign-up sheet for help with the February/March Retirement Seminars.

Meeting adjourned at 2:58.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Phillips, Secretary