

SNO-KING SCHOOL RETIREES  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 14, 2013

Those Present: Roberta Hawkins, Linda Fitzgerald, Evelyn Nordeen, Virg Rayton, Barbara Berg, Erma Snook, Betty Odle, Donna Murrish, Jim Siscel, and Cheryl Bauer.

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 by President Jim Siscel who then led us in the flag salute. A moment of silence was observed in honor of Bob Jones who passed away very suddenly the night before. Erma had done a write up that Jim then read remembering all he had done for the organization through the years.

The minutes of the February 14, 2013, meeting were approved as presented in a motion made by Virg Rayton.

Donna went over the treasurer's report. Nothing new to bring up at this time.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Emergency Preparedness Meeting:** Those who attended the meeting enjoyed a great presentation. It was interesting and informative. Unfortunately, that program may be a victim of the fiscal cuts.

**Theo Chocolate Field Trip Update:** As of this date, there are 18 signed up to go. A reminder email will be sent out with the details. We are each to pay \$10 which covers the cost of the tour and mileage for the drivers. The cost was based on 24 attendees. Jim suggested that SKSR pick up the extra 6 tickets if they are not filled up. Erma made a motion that SKSR cover the difference. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Programs for April and May Luncheons:**

Dave Little will play the piano at the April Luncheon.. We agreed that he could sell his CD's at the luncheon. We will pay him an honorarium of \$100.

Jan Steves will be the speaker at May Joint Luncheon talking about her Itidarod racing experience. We agreed to pay her an honorarium of \$200. We will take the extra money needed for the performers from the contingency fund. There is a maximum of 35 per unit at this event.

**NW-1 Report:** Roberta gave this report. The auction at NW-1 raised \$245 for PAC. Nick Schultz was there. He will be the new WSSRA president for the coming year. He reviewed priorities at the Legislative Level and said one of his goals this next year is to make people smile. The scholarship committee is still evolving. *Some decisions should be made by March 26.* (The NW1 Scholarship group will meet on March 26 in Mt. Vernon to make this year's selections. Roberta Hawkins and Karen McElliot are our 2 representatives on this group.)

**Obituaries in Bulletin:** It was talked about at NW-1 where various groups did different things. Some had ceremonies once a year like they do at state. As needed, the executive board will make a decision as to what we will put in the bulletin.

**Bulletin Advertising:** Marilyn Irwin and Chris Sharpe will drop their advertising for now. Warren will let Jim know if he'd like to continue to advertise as he is in the process of updating his services. We will no longer do the AARP safe driving classes. We felt this information was available in other medias. We should now have a little more space in our bulletins.

**Convention Basket:** We are having a picnic theme. Barb will do the basket again this year. Bring items to the April luncheon if you can, but no later than the May luncheon.

**Hoban/McNaughton Award Status:** Rita Requa is our nomination for the Patrick Hoban Award and Virgil Rayton is our nominee for the Stan McNaughton Award. Both are deserving candidates whom we wish well at convention.

**Consider Increasing Scholarship Amount in 2014:** Donna passed out a sheet with the information regarding "Sources of Income for Scholarship Fund." We are doing well with our scholarship fund. We then discussed whether we could finance another \$1200 a year which is what it would be if we increased the scholarship amount to \$1500 each. There was a lot of discussion with Cheryl pushing for the amount of all scholarships to be increased to \$1500. Erma suggested, and then proposed, that we stay with the current first year scholarship amount of \$1200 and increase the second, third and fourth year amount to \$1500 starting in 2014. This would be monitored for two years with thoughts to increasing all four years to \$1500. The motion was seconded and passed with one nay and one abstention.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Nominating Committee:** Jim would like to present the slate of officers in April. The hardest position to fill – that of President – is the one that we need to work on. Any takers? Know of any takers?

**Retirement Planning Replacement:** This replacement will take place sooner than expected due to the untimely death of Bob Jones. Jim Siscel will take over at this position. On a side note: Katie Sherwood of Edmonds is retiring, and there will be a party for her on May 30 to which we are all invited.

**April Luncheon Planning:** We are glad to have Betty back at the helm of luncheon planning. A sign up sheet was passed around, and we indicated if we could help and what we could bring. Donna will take the names of those attending.

**Convention Planning:** Attendees so far: Erma, Donna, Betty, Barb, Virg, Evie, Tom & Roberta, and maybe Jim. The convention is in Pasco. You should make reservation ASAP.

**Bulletins Items:** See agenda.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Finance:** Cheryl had nothing new to report at this time.

**Legislative:** Rita was home recovering from her Mexico trip.

**Membership:** We are still hanging in at #2 with 1270 and several members pending.

**Grants:** Virg read a letter from Sandy Sanders, one of the recent grant drawing recipients.

**Sunshine:** Evie sent cards to the following: Sympathy card to the family of Carolyn Ostrander, sympathy card to the family of Bob Jones, and a caring card to Bill Borgert.

**Health:** Gary excused.

**Scholarship:** The committee will meet on April 3 to make the choices for this year's recipients.

**Good of the Order:** We will probably just leave the website alone for now. May have to hire someone to do it for us after that. We have been lucky to have Bob as our web master.

Submitted by,  
Cheryl Bauer