

SKSR Board meeting

March 11, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Acting chair Karen McElliott, Vice President Roberta Hawkins, Secretary Jan Phillips, Treasurer Tom Hawkins, Linda Fitzgerald, Evie Nordeen, Robin Randles, Virg Rayton, Rita Requa, Jim Siscel, and Erma Snook.

Karen called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The February Board minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer Report — Tom reported that the Washington Federal account had \$38,408.74. The SKSR Savings account had \$6,194.92. The Edward Jones Winnie Smith account had \$140,727.92 an increase of \$1,698.04. The SKSR account had \$79,834.82 an increase of \$412.08. We received \$2834 from WSSRA as our portion of the dues. So far this year we have received \$22,860 from WSSRA for dues. There were 2 memorial transfers in the names of Gordon Ken Bartol and Barbara Lee Whitson.

Legislative Update — Jim reported according to Peter Diedrick the buddy system of contacting the legislators seems to be working.

Membership — Jim reported that we currently have 1412 members which is down 14 from last year partially due to one death and 2 requesting to be removed from WSSRA membership.

Grant report — Karen reported that the second check has been sent to each of the Districts. She notified the districts and the schools. Jim created certificates for the awardees. She also notified the online papers. She shared responses that she has received from some of the recipients. She thanked Roberta for the list of communications people.

Health — no report.

Scholarship — Linda reported that the deadline for the SKSR Scholarship is today. She will accept scholarships postmarked with today's date. So

far, she has only gotten 3 but expects more. Keith Lindaas, Diane McQuay, Evie Nordeen, Mary Lynn Potter and herself will meet via Zoom to select the recipients. Mae Cramer is not going to continue with the education so is dropping out of the program. Amanda Stanley is going to graduate early but expects to enter the Masters program. After discussion, Rita volunteered to look at the by-laws to make sure the language allows 3 years of Winnie Smith funding, no matter when the recipient graduates.

Sunshine — Barb reported that she sent; a sympathy card to the family of Barbara Lee Whitson, a sympathy card to the family of Gordon Ken Bartol, a congratulations card to Dr. Reed, Northshore Superintendent, for being announced as the AASA 2021 Superintendent of the Year recipient and a sympathy card to Erma Snook after the death of her sister. She asked that we let her know when a card should be sent.

Records — Erma reported that we have 1089 email addresses. Shea also stated that the information@SKSR.org business address is well worth the investment.

Website — Jim is keeping it up to date.

February Program — Roberta said that there were 100 registrants and 64 individuals attended. It went well. Cost effectiveness was discussed as only about 20 of those 64 were WSSRA members. It was decided that that is not unusual and does offer the option to attend to our members.

Donations to Northshore and Shoreline School Districts— Jim pointed out that the Washington Kids in Transition is primarily an Edmonds School District project. He put forth that we should probably also find ones for Northshore and Shoreline. He suggested Northshore's Basic Needs Aids Support and Shoreline's Works. He moved that we send each organization \$500, the same amount we had given WA Kids. The motion was seconded and passed.

Picnic planning — Jan reported that the shelter has been reserved for July 15. In view of COVID 19 it was decided that we should check out having box lunches instead of a buffet. Jim checked with Panera and Chef Dane. However, nothing will be decided until it is closer to the date due to potential COVID complications.

NW 1 Report — The meeting was held March 8. Rita reported that Alan Burke was the main speaker. He talked about the convention. The executive board will meet in April to decide how to proceed but at this time there will be two parts. One will be the business, such as election of officers and budget held in June via Zoom. The other held October 3 - 6 for awards and trainings In Pasco.

Scholarship — already covered

April Scholarship Luncheon, General Meeting — This has been published in the Bulletin. If anyone wants to attend, they are to contact Linda.

Convention Attendance — the convention will be in two parts. In June it will probably be via zoom and in October, possibly in person, the trainings and introduction of the scholarship recipients. This will be discussed in more detail as to who wants to attend and which session after the WSSRA Executive Board decides how it will be handled.

Membership request from the State — The State has inquired about the feasibility of obtaining potential new members from the reading of District Board minutes. Do the minutes of the different Boards contain the names of those who are retiring?

Keith will write articles about the Winnie Smith recipients to be put in the upcoming Bulletins.

The next SKSR Board meeting will be April 8 via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Phillips, Secretary