

Attendees: Coordinating Chair Cheryl Bauer, Vice President Roberta Hawkins, Secretary Jan Phillips, Treasurer Tom Hawkins, Barbara Berg, Linda Fitzgerald, Karen McElliott, Evelyn Nordeen, Virg Rayton, Jim Siscel

Coordinating Chair Cheryl Bauer called the meeting to order at 1:05. All stood to say the Pledge of Allegiance

Jim asked the group to help fill out the membership forms with Unit information.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report — Tom reported that as of September 30 there was \$22,442.80 in the Washington Federal Savings account. In the checking account there was \$22,475.61. In the Edward Jones Winnie Smith account there was \$135,966.87 down by \$176.90 from last month. In the SKSR portion of the Edward Jones account there was \$46,399.88 down \$1,321.37. He received \$2,785 (monthly dues) from WSSRA. The yearly amount for our portion of the dues thus far is \$8761. There were no memorials this last month. One of the Winnie Smith scholarships is waiting for a transcript before the check will be sent.

Finance — Cheryl deferred to Tom's report.

Legislative — Jim reported that Tim Knopf (from NW-1) will be providing an article on what has happened and what the plans are for this year. On November 8th the Legislative Committee will meet. It will decide upon what items will be stressed for the coming year.

Membership — Jim reported that we have 1,427 up 6 from last month with 4 pending. Two individuals have requested to leave. We are up 40 from last year.

Educator scholarships — Karen has received 3 grant applications. We discussed why there may be a drop off in the applications. Karen will ask Erma to send out a reminder about the due date.

Health — Donna has sent an article for the Bulletin.

Scholarship — Linda confirmed that we are waiting on a transcript to fund the last scholarship of the Winnie Smith recipients.

Sunshine — Evie reported that she sent a caring card to Erma Snook. She also reported that she and Barbara Bumgardner visited Rita at the Edmonds Landing.

Records — Erma sent a report stating that 1,074 emails (The Bulletin) were sent. We sent via the US Post Office 358 Bulletins. Our next folding session will be October 28th. She sent 3 messages since the last Board meeting; the Sept/Oct Bulletin, the Safe Driving class for AARP Members and a triple message containing a reminder about the October Luncheon, grant signups and a new Retiree welcome with a Free Luncheon invitation.

Website — Jim reported that he has rearranged items on the site for easier access.

Bulletin — Since we do not have a President, we need to rename the “President’s Message”. After discussion it was decided to call it “From the Board”. The deadline for articles is October 13.

October Luncheon — Cheryl reported that it will be at Le Bistro on October 17th. We have 32 attendees. Shoreline Superintendent Rebecca Minor will be there as well as a speaker on Elder law. Barb Berg offered to help at the door. Virg will be manning a chair to take donations for the Washington State Kids in Transition service project slated for January 4th. If any others want to come, they need to let Cheryl know by October 11th (Friday).

November Brunch. Jan reported that it will be at the First Lutheran Church in Shoreline on November 14th from 9 - 11:30. Speakers Tom Russell and Keith Lindaas from AARP will talk about cybercrime. Reservations need to be made no later than Friday, November 8th.

Humanities speaker — Roberta reported that in order to get the speaker we selected there needed to be a date change. That date is now February 27th. Julia Harrison will speak to the Sticky Subject; the History and Culture of Sugar.

December Board Lunch— Erma reported that the Edmonds Pancake Haus has been reserved for December 12th. The agenda has been planned. Decorations and mementos are in hand.

Field Trip — Karen reported that the Burke Museum is not ready to take adult tour groups. We again looked at the options - Seattle Times, Microsoft campus,

Franz Family Bakery, Log House Museum, Boehm's Chocolate, Seattle Underground, Klondike Museum, Duwamish Long House and the Nordic Museum. Votes were taken. Our first choice is Microsoft campus with Boehm's Chocolate as the second choice. This will happen in March.

NW District 1 — Roberta reported that WSSRA President Pam Frances was there and made a few comments. Ken Harvey reported that the state has asked us to do three projects for this coming year. One project is to make a collection of community service projects that various entities have done. The second is to compile the number of volunteer hours in each group. The third is celebration of the 100-year anniversary of Women who have made a difference. Each unit is to select a woman to honor. After much discussion, Virg will handle the community service project report and will send the report to WSSRA. Roberta will handle the compilation of volunteer hours. We will ask for volunteers to nominate individuals and to help research and write the report.

Financial Advisors — Jim reported that he had been asked about financial advisors at one of the Benefit Fairs. It was decided that we would post the names of the advisors whom the Districts invite to their Fairs. We will also post that this is not a recommendation but simply those who the Districts bring in.

Washington Kids in Transitions — Virg reminded us of the January 4th (Saturday) date for this project. Jim moved that SKSR donate \$200 for seed money for this project. It will be used to buy the snacks. Motion passed.

Cheryl will explain the Women in History State project at the October Luncheon. She will ask for both nominations of deserving individuals and for people to help with this project.

Meeting adjourned at 3 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Phillips, Secretary