# SNO-KING SCHOOL RETIREES EXECUTIVE BOARD SEPTEMBER 13, 2012

**Those Present:** Rachel Lake, Rita Requa, Betty Odle, Barbara Berg, Roberta Hawkins, Jim Siscel, Erma Snook, Bob Nordeen, Evie Nordeen, Gary Reul, Linda Fitzgerald, Ellie Bonanno, Donna Murrish, Virg Rayton, and Cheryl Bauer.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by President Jim Siscel who then led us in the pledge of allegiance.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

The minutes of the August 8, 2012, Planning Session were approved as presented. This motion was made by Rita Requa, and then seconded and passed.

#### TREASURERS'S REPORT:

Donna went over the monthly budget report. All scholarships are now paid. She has lots of Entertainment Books available and has even sold a few. There has already been \$125 in memorials transferred to the scholarship fund.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

<u>Table of Contents:</u> Jim passed out three new pages to put into our SKSR Booklet. These included: Table of Contents, Revised Board Roster, and Corrected Calendar.

Entertainment for October meeting: This event is our first luncheon of the year and will take place up at LeBistro at the Sno-Isle Skill Center in Everett on October 18. It will feature John Hartquist impersonating George Brackett, who was one of the founder of Edmonds. The cost for this event is \$14 and can be paid to Donna at any time.

**Theo's Chocolate:** Roberta passed out a sheet with the information she had obtained. Roberta ended her presentation with the following motion: I move that we authorize the payment of \$150 to Theo's Chocolate Factory to schedule a private tour for 25 SKSR member on March 21, 2013, and that we elect to carpool for transportation. Motion was seconded and passed. We will try to get as early a start (either 10:30 or 11:00 AM) time as possible and maybe go to the Hale's Ales for lunch. This restaurant is located nearby.

<u>Calling for Directory Updates:</u> About 800 phone calls will need to be made in an attempt to bring the directory as up to date as possible before it goes to publication. A script was passed out. It was suggested the calling start after September 24 when everyone should have gotten their bulletin explaining the purpose of the call.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**November Program:** This is our scholarships luncheon and will be held on November 15. Jim has booked the Far Shore Four (a barbershop quartet) as the entertainment. Brian Ayers who is a member of this quartet is also a SKSR member.

**Food Life Line:** This service event has been scheduled and will be Jan 17, 2013 at Food Life Line.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

<u>Sunshine:</u> Evie was again kept busy with cards that were sent. The list includes: caring card to Gary Reul (twice), caring card to Jay Lapp, get well card to Bob Van Ness, and sympathy cards to the families of the following: Gerald Nelson, Margaret Newell, Patricia Rein, Ann Katherine Fox, and Darlene Felder.

Finance Committee: Cheryl gave a three-part report on the Finance committee. On July 3, 2012, the following: Bob and Evie Nordeen, Erma Snook, Don Denton, Donna Murrish and Cheryl Bauer met to do the annual evaluation of the status of the Winnie Smith Scholarship Account. As of that date, the fund had an account value of \$158,646. Donna went over the print outs showing who had gotten monies and when. To date, there has been \$24,000 given in scholarships. On July 31, 2012, Donna and Cheryl met with Mark Anderson of Edward Jones, who is our financial adviser. Because of expenditures, our percentage of safe money is lower than it should be. He recommended we move some of the money around and bring our "safe" money back up to 40%. To this end, a phone conversation between Cheryl and Mark occurred on August 2, 2012. There was \$18,000 from stocks and \$20,000 from the money market fund put into two different CDs. One CD was for one year and the other for two years. We thanked Bob Nordeen and Dick Stucky for their participation on this committee and welcomed Rachel Lake as a new member.

<u>Legislative Report:</u> Rita said her report was in the bulletin. We should refer to that for the current information. She did attend a WSSRA Board meeting at which time the PAC did strategic endorsements with their money. Rita then read the list of those being endorsed. The state will again have a deficient. This time it is estimated to be around 1.6 billion dollars. It's going to be hard to find items to cut. Rachel asked how we wanted to handle the legislative card that will come out after the election – sometime in January. No decision was reached at this time.

**Membership:** We are still #2 in the state for membership size. We have 1228 members as of this date.

**Grants:** Virg mentioned how nice it was to have some of the grant recipients come to the picnic. There will be an article in the September bulletin inviting active members to submit applications for this year's grants. Applications will be accepted until early November. This year there is \$5500 to be dispersed.

**<u>Health:</u>** Gary passed out a print out of the information that will be included in the October bulletin. He mentioned that Plavix is the second most used drug in the world.

**Scholarship:** Nothing new at this time. Forms will go out to the schools in January.

## **Good of the Order:**

Erma will have Entertainment Books for those in the north end.

Thank you to those who helped with the Benefit Fairs.

Barb shared a map she had gotten with legislative districts on it. These maps can be gotten at redistricting.wa.gov. Ask for Washington State Legislative and Congressional District Map. Erma asked some questions about charter schools. We tried to answer to the best of our knowledge.

Meeting adjourned at 2:18.

Submitted by, Cheryl Bauer