

Attendees: Roberta Hawkins (acting Chair), Jan Phillips, secretary, Tom Hawkins, Treasurer, Cheryl Bauer, Linda Fitzgerald, Karen McElliott, Evie Nordeen, Virg Rayton, Rita Requa, Jim Siscel, Erma Snook

Acting Chair Roberta Hawkins opened the meeting at 1:00pm. She asked us to rise and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes — The January minutes were read and approved as amended.

Treasurer — Tom Hawkins reported that the Washington Federal checking account had \$23,218.65 and that the Washington Federal savings account (scholarships) had \$22,654.08. He received a 1099 stating that that account earned \$20.02. On January 31, the Edward Jones account (Winnie Smith portion) had \$145,421.82 and had grown by \$387.99. The SKSR scholarship portion had \$57,798.41 and had grown by \$781.62. WSSRA sent us \$2827 for our portion of the dues. He deposited 6 memorials.

Finance — Cheryl reported that there was a total of \$195,639 in the Edward Jones account. She said that the original Winnie Smith account started with \$144,364. Five years ago, it had \$173,519.

Legislative — Tim has sent an article to be printed in the Bulletin. The bills supporting the COLA for Plan 1 have passed out of the House and Senate committees to the appropriate Rules Committees. The letters are working. Keep them up.

Membership — Jim reported that as of February 3 we have 1,408 members, down 8 members. However, we have 13 retiree applications and 18 actives pending. We have had 5 deaths and 1 person requested being taken off our rolls.

Education Grants — Karen reported that there was 1 more presentation left. She also reported that the Edmonds School District can carry over the unspent portion for the grant into the next year. It was decided that if there was no money spent from an account by the end of the year, it should be returned to us. If a small amount remained it could stay in the account. Both Edmonds and Shoreline will send us an end of year fiscal report. Karen discussed the survey she sent out. Ideas were shared on how to get more applicants for next year.

Health — No report but Donna will send an article into the Bulletin.

Scholarships — Linda reported that she and Keith hand delivered the scholarship applications to all the schools. The applications are due (must be postmarked by) March 13. They are to be mailed to Linda. She will deliver them to the committee members about March 23. The possible date to meet to review is March 31.

Sunshine — Evie reported that she sent: a sympathy card to Mrs. Mike Wolfington in the death of her husband, a sympathy card to the family of Filmore Sankey, a sympathy card to Jeanne and Bill Mazzoni in the loss of Jeanne's sister, a sympathy card to Roberta and Tom Hawkins in the loss of Roberta's mother, Bessie Francis, Thank you cards to both Erma Snook and her daughter Melanie for their leadership on the SKSR Board Holiday Luncheon, a sympathy card to the family Eunice Christensen, a sympathy card to the family of Ellen Cooks and a sympathy card to the family of Philip Nelson.

Records — Erma reported that 1098 copies of the upcoming Bulletin will be emailed and 351 copies will be sent via the U S Post Office. She sent 2 messages via email to the local retirees. There have been 19 new members since the last Bulletin. The SKSR Membership Directory will be updated by March 1.

Website — Jim has made changes to the grants and the scholarship links.

Bulletin — See above

General February meeting — It has been publicized in the local online journals as being open to the public.

Field Trip — Karen passed around a sign-up sheet. The event is March 19 at 10:30 at the Seattle Asian Art Museum. There is room for 30. We have 15 currently so Karen asked if Erma could send out a reminder notice. If Karen will send Erma the information, she will do that.

Tom brought up that the Museum of Flight has a number of speakers.

April Scholarship Luncheon — Linda shared information on the menu choices. It was moved and seconded that we have the chicken, veggies, salad and bread. The motion passed. She also said that the speaker will be Margie Boeker. She took a group of Washington State Delegates to meet the Dalai Lama. Margie

Boeker is a Scriber Lake teacher. A motion to pay a gratuity to her program at Scriber Lake of \$200 was made. It will be given to Scriber Lake through Edmonds SD. The motion passed.

May Joint Luncheon — Evie reported that Arthur Krull, a pilot in both the military and civilian life, will tell of his experience being hijacked. The menu options are a chicken or a beef presentation.

WSSRA President's Report. — Karen will fill this out as her duties of Acting chair for March. Everyone helped with contributing answers.

WSSRA Unit of Distinction Report — Evie will fill this out as her duties of Acting chair for May. Everyone helped with contributing answers.

Service Projects and Mini grants reports for WSSRA. These were given to Virg, Karen and Linda to fill out. They are going to be part of a "help book" for the units. They should return them to Roberta.

Name Tags — Jim will bring them to the next function and give the option of a pin or a clamp. He will continue to bring to each general meeting.

Teacher scholarship — This idea was tabled as we need two retiree members to help write the criteria for this scholarship. This need will be announced at our upcoming meetings.

Women in History — no report

Scholarship readers for NW 1 — The event will be March 16 and held in Mt. Vernon. Karen McElliott will help and we need one more.

SKSR Scholarship checking account — Jim moved that we transfer \$12,000 from the checking account to the savings account. After much discussion motion passed with treasurer voting no.

WSSRA Convention — This will be held June 8 - 10 in Pasco. Rita, Virg, Roberta, Tom, Cheryl and Jan are planning on attending.

NW 1 chair for next year — It is SKSR's turn to fill this office. Jim volunteered to do it.

NW - 1 March meeting March 9 — Jim, Tom, Karen, Rita, Roberta and Jan plan on attending. We have been asked to bring items for a silent auction. Cheryl had brought art work done by Gail Summerfield's High School art classes as a result from the grant money she received. That will be taken up for the silent auction. Karen will write the article for the May/June Bulletin. Linda and Keith will write the Chair's corner for the May/June Bulletin.

AMBA — Jim reported that the AMBA rep has asked to come to a meeting in order to give a short presentation. All of our meetings are very full so it was decided that we would ask him to come next year. After the meeting an email ballot was taken on the possibility of asking him to come to the Picnic. It was decided that that would be done. Making sure that the rep understood the problem of making sure that individuals hear his presentation.

Willingness to Serve forms — Roberta has them if anyone is interested.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Phillips, Secretary