

Zoom Meeting

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

The meeting was called to order at 1:05. We joined in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes — had been distributed via email. They were approved as written.

Treasurer — Tom reported that we have \$6,094 in savings at Washington Federal which brought in \$10.84 for the year in interest. We have \$37,831.36 in the checking account. There were 3 memorials made in the amount of \$275. The Winnie Smith portion of the Edward R Jones account has \$139,238.68 and increase of \$66.38 from last year. The SKSR portion has \$79,422.74 which was an increase of \$162.39. We received \$2,750 from WSSR as our portion of the dues. So far, this fiscal year we have received \$20,026 for dues. He wrote checks for the second round of grants for a total of \$1,951.

**Committee reports**

Finance — Cheryl referred to Tom's report.

Membership — Jim reported that as of February 1 we had 1,408 members. That is down 6 from last month but is the same as last year. We have 6 pending memberships and 2 people have requested off. Jim relayed the reason for one of those.

Educator grants — Karen reported that the 2nd round of grants closed on Feb. 4. We received 8 grants, 2 from Edmonds and 6 from Shoreline. The grants totaled \$1951. This is the second year we have not spent all our grants money.

Health — Robin had no report.

Scholarships — Linda said that all the scholarship chairs were sent the information about the scholarships. The scholarship applications are due March 11. Her committee of Keith Lindaas, Diana McQuay, Evie Nordeen, Mary Lynn Potter and herself will meet via Zoom March 24 to make decisions about who will be awarded the scholarships.

Sunshine — Barb sent a sympathy card to the family of Phyllis Enger; a caring card to Diana McQuay; a caring card to Erma Snook; a sympathy card to the family of John Samples and a sympathy card to the family of Zada Stein. Erma commented on the extraordinary quality of the cards made and sent by Barb.

Records — Erma reported that she sent messages after the Bulletin on behalf of Jim for scholarship readers for the NW-1 District and a reminder to the actives about the second round of grants. She commented on the ease of using the new program to distribute newsletters. We talked about how to contact new members as currently the only way is through the Bulletin. Erma does send them a welcome packet which includes a directory and information about senior resources.

Website — Jim has kept it up to date.

## **Business**

February Program Update — Roberta reported that we have 91 registrants but not all are from SKSR. The webinar will take place February 18 at 1 pm.

Grants — update. We have \$3261 in our budget for this year. It was moved that the money from the Grants budget be moved into the contingency section of the budget. It was seconded and passed.

Legislative Contact — It is now being called the Buddy letter. We have had a number of people volunteer to do this, enough that some legislators have 2 assigned buddies. District 1 however had no one. Rita volunteered to do this. It seems to be going okay but some members have only received the first letter suggestion. Jim will contact Peter to correct this.

Scholarship readers. — We got responses to the request fo help. Virginia Low and Jeanne Mazzoni will help with the NW District 1 scholarships and Mary Lynn Potter will work on ours.

T-shirts for actives — No one responded to this.

Picnic planning — Jan will submit the request on February 15 per the City of Edmonds process.

WSSRA Convention update — Roberta reported that the WSSRA EXEC Board of Directors voted that the 2021 convention will be moved from June 6 - 10 to October 3 - 6. It will still be held at the Red Lion Hotel in Pasco. They also approved an additional scholarship, Neil D Prescott for the school year of 21-22. Now there are 2 for student teachers for each of the 8 districts.

Bulletin Assignments are as published in the Agenda. Articles need to be in to Jo by this coming Saturday.

The chair for the March meeting is Karen. April's chair will be Linda. Discussion followed about the reports that will need to be made, in particular to the state.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Phillips, Secretary