

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

The SKSR Board meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Acting Chair Virg Rayton.

He asked us to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes for the November 7, 2019 Board meeting were approved as amended.

The minutes for the November 14, 2019 General meeting were approved as amended.

Treasurer's report — Tom reported that as of the end of December the Washington Federal checking account had \$24,780.19, and the SKSR savings account had \$22,448.42. In the Edward Jones account the Winnie Smith portion had \$140,785.74, up \$4,248.09 and the SKSR portion had \$51,079.79, up \$1,090.90. WSSRA sent us \$2,743 in December for our share of the dues. So far this year we have received \$17,046 from them. Tom did one memorial transfer to the scholarship fund for the month of December.

Finance — Cheryl reaffirmed Tom's report for the Edward Jones account.

Legislative — No chair — We all were encouraged to write the letters requested by WSSRA.

Membership — Jim had no report from the state to share.

Educator grants — Karen reported that she met with Cheryl, Roberta and Evie to evaluate the requests. The rubric she had developed worked fairly well. However, there were some tweaks needed. One was to have the question and then space to write the explanation directly underneath it. Most of the presenters are finished and all should be done by the end of January. Edmonds School District and Shoreline School District accepted one check for all their recipients. Northshore has more requirements, but they are being dealt with. She then talked about the money still remaining in that budget item. It was moved and seconded that the remaining grant money roll over into the general

fund. After discussion the motion passed. Karen will be doing a survey to see if she can find out why there was the drop in applications.

Health — Donna will write a report for the Bulletin.

Scholarship — Linda and Keith are getting ready to give the applications to the schools. The deadline for turning in the application was set as March 13 (postmarked as of that date). She will be the one to receive the applications.

Sunshine — Evie reported that she sent: a get well card to Norma Fuhrman, a caring card to Erma Snook, a sympathy card to the family of John Hunter (Past President of SKSR), a sympathy card to the family of Donald Arthur Haas, a sympathy card to Virg Rayton (loss of his sister) and a sympathy card to the family of Irene Gleason (Past President of WSSR - 1992 - 1993).

Records — Erma reported that we have 15 new members.

Website — Jim is updating it.

December Luncheon — Erma reported that it went well. The Board expressed appreciation for a job well done to Erma and her daughter.

WA Kids in Transition — The “stuffing” event was held January 4, 2020 at the Edmonds Methodist Church. There were 27 volunteers, twice as many as last year. In 1 hour and 15 minutes they filled over 2,500 bags which amounted to 39 bins. We received \$766 in donations. That money was used to buy Cheez-it Crackers, granola bars and Welches Fruit Snacks. The event has been booked for the 2021 year.

February General Meeting — Roberta handed out the poster for “Sticky Subjects”. Julia Harrison, a Humanities Washington speaker, will talk on the subject. This will happen February 27 at 12 pm at the Edmonds School District ESC. This is open to the public.

Field Trip — Karen reported that she visited the Microsoft campus. The majority of the space is for their gaming products. This would not be a good choice for us at this time. We talked about the Seattle Asian Art Museum or the Nordic Museum. After discussion, it was decided to go to the Seattle Asian Art Museum and if possible, go on March 19.

Volunteer Hours — Roberta collected some information at the November Brunch and more came in via email. As of now we have 3,700 volunteer hours reported. This will be reported to the WSSRA. She handed out and collected the Health Services Survey.

April Luncheon — Linda reported that she has reserved the church for April 16. She will invite the Shoreline Superintendent. She will contact 76 Bistro to do the catering. She has an idea for the speaker.

May Joint Luncheon with Sno-Isle — Evie reported that there is change in the date. The new date is May 12 and is still at 11:30. The Speaker is Art Krull a pilot of a hijacked airline.

Bus to Olympia — NW District 1 is taking a bus down to Olympia to conduct lobbying on February 4. The total cost for 47 passengers is \$1665 while for 56 passengers it is \$1725. It would make 3 stops to pick up passengers. Each group would be able to send 14 members. It was discussed and decided that we would participate and also furnish a boxed lunch for the participants. We will ask Erma to send out an email asking for volunteers. Jim and Barb indicated that they would go.

Retirement seminars in spring — Jim sent around a sign-up list.

Name tags — Jim would like to purchase materials to make name tags with clips in place of the current ones with pins for a total of \$80. There was discussion as to who would want one. Because of that Jim will buy half of the proposed amount.

Unit President's Report — The President's Report needs to be done by March 31. Karen, as acting chair for that month, will fill it out. She will send requests for help in filling it out.

May Unit of Distinction Report — We discussed the additional requirement added September last year by the state board. Roberta will address this. Evie will do this by May 15, again asking for help. We discussed goals for Unit of Distinction. These will be sent to all board members. Everyone is asked to report their portion to Evie.

Nominations for WSSRA officers were talked about. Willingness to Serve forms are available from Roberta.

School Retirees Appreciation week is March 16 - 22. We will send the State Proclamation to each district Superintendent.

List of Bulletin Articles — Everyone was reminded of their portion.

NW District 1 meeting January 13 — Attendees will be Jim, Virg, Barb, Tom and Jan. Evie was unable to attend because of a date change.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Phillips, Secretary