

## Sno-King School Retirees

### Executive Board Meeting

July 8, 2010

The Board Meeting was called to order by Coordinating Chair, Evie Nordeen at 1:05 p.m. following the flag salute.

Those in attendance were: Alice Bingaman, Gordon Bowers, Marion Fyall, Donna Murrish, Bob Nordeen, Evelyn Nordeen, Betty Odle, Virg Rayton, Rita Requa and Erma Snook.

Rita Requa moved and it was seconded by Virg Rayton to accept the minutes as published. Motion carried.

Donna Murrish, Treasurer, gave the Treasurer's Report. She explained the difficulty of closing the year's books as needed transactions trickled in until nearly August. She noted the very good balance in the Scholarship Fund and that interest on our CDs was very low. She answered other questions. Alice Bingaman moved and Rita Requa seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

#### Committee Reports

Legislative: Evie gave Ellie's Legislative Report in Ellie's absence. Because there are lots of new names on the primary ballot in August, Ellie will publish a list of all of the candidates from all of the legislative districts of Northshore, Edmonds, and Shoreline School Districts. This information and levy information from Edmonds and Northshore will be available at the picnic when people sign in. We will encourage them to vote. Rachel has her PAC baskets for raffle ready to go. Ellie encourages us to be alert and aware of the standing of pension issues during this coming legislative session.

Membership: Bob Nordeen gave his last report as Membership Chair. Gordon Bowers spoke of Bob's enormous contribution to our membership numbers and thanked him for all of us. Bob reported that Membership would be in Rita Requa's capable hands next year. He'll be around to help. Bob told us the key to gaining new members was to "think one member at a time!" They all add up.

Scholarship Finance Committee: Following the meeting of the Scholarship Finance Committee in June and at their direction, Donna Murrish and Cheryl Bauer met with our Financial Advisor, Mark Anderson to pulse the status of our investment with Edward Jones. Donna reports that we are invested 60% risky and 40% secure as per our plan. As CDs mature and interest and dividend accrue, our balance may change. Mark recommended a January or February meeting to rebalance if needed and assess our situation. Our account has had a 5.4% increase over the last year. Our cash reserve is adequate to pay for renewable scholarships for this year. Finance Committee members are: Cheryl Bauer, Ellie Bonanno, Don Denton, Dave Johnson, Donna Murrish, Bob Nordeen, Erma Snook, and Dick Stuckey.

Hazel Miller Foundation: Evie has helped us pursue this possible choice as a scholarship money resource. The Foundation's latest report indicated that they are developing a system for granting money to groups for scholarship giving. Evie volunteered to continue to "bird dog" this resource.

#### Unfinished Business

Joint Luncheon with Snolsle: Erma reported the attendance at the May luncheon was great and the entertainment was touching. We are looking forward to next year.

WSSRA Convention: Evie commented on what a wonderful job Rita did conducting the meetings and specifically her wonderful, personal introductions. We all enjoyed the convention, and our picture is on the front page of The Journal as Rita's Presidential Award winner—our whole unit! We were thrilled. Evie passed the President's Award Apple Trophy on to next year's co-presidents Erma Snook and Rachel Lake for safe keeping. We received, and Evie shared Unit of Distinction and PAC Contribution certificates of achievement. The only negative reported from convention was the Hotel room allocations were not always as expected and many rooms were very remote! First registered did not assure best assignment—arrival times did! Some were disappointed and Ed Gonion is addressing the issue.

Project Report Forms: One new report form was turned in at the meeting from Treasurer, Donna Murrish. Very few are complete. Have you done yours?

#### New Business

Picnic: On July 15<sup>th</sup> at Edmonds Park at noon will be SnoKing's annual picnic. Dick Anderson, NW1 Executive Board Rep, Louie Osmonovich, WSSRA President, and Ed Gonion, WSSRA Executive Director will be invited. Betty passed around a sign up for purchasing the food. They are: Rita Requa: Potato chips and Dip; Marion Fyall: Fruit Platter; Alice Bingaman: Veggie Tray and Dip; Virg Rayton: Buttered rolls; Donna Murrish: Tossed Salad and dressing; Erma Snook: Potato Salad; Betty Odle: Sweet and Sour Meatballs; Rachel Lake: Dessert; Bob and Evie Nordeen: Balloons. Gil and Erma will claim tables at 9 a.m. with table cloths, Alice to arrive around 9:30. Betty will bring beverages, plates, cups and utensils, coffee pots and baskets and dishes for serving. We are to wear SnoKing T shirts. Betty will notify us how many are coming. Betty will also arrange the Installation of Officers. We are honoring all new retirees!

August Retreat: Our annual August Retreat to plan for 2010-2011 will be on August 11 at 9 a.m. at the Foundation House in Bothell. We will be served lunch at noon and a Continental Breakfast when we arrive. RSVP Erma Snook.

Email Forms: Donna has received over 100 email address responses to our request to deliver our Newsletter by email to save money, effort and trees. Good response so far! Lots of work for Donna!

Program Committee: On Thursday July 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. the Program Committee will meet to discuss program choices for next year. Betty Odle, Rita Requa, Donna Murrish and Alice Bingaman volunteered to meet with Erma Snook and Rachel Lake. All volunteers welcome! There are lots of choices available to consider, the location of the meeting to follow.

SKSR Finances: Erma handed out a summary of Income Resources for the Scholarship Fund and for the General Fund. Our Scholarship Fund is thriving, our General Fund is not. We need to make some prudent budget decisions at the August Retreat. (Two sheet handout from meeting is attached to this email for you to consider if you weren't at the meeting)

Benefit Fairs: Sign up to work a shift at the Sept. Benefit Fairs at the Aug. Retreat.

Dates: Shoreline: Sept. 9, set up at 1 p.m. Fair from 2-6 p.m.

Edmonds: Sept. 8, 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Sept. 9, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Northshore: Still no access.

### Good of the Order

Donna shared a thank you note from the Jim Wahlstrom family for our memorial donation in his name.

Donna also shared a note she found in her records from Winnie Smith. She read it to us—a beautifully written thank you note for honoring her with an Honorary Membership upon her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Erma expressed gratitude to Evie for being a super Coordinating Chair this past year. Evie prepared all of the agendas for each month's chair, wrote all those Newsletter Articles and under her pen we earned the Unit of Distinction. Job extremely well done!

### Meeting Adjourned

Secretary Pro Tem Erma Snook

### Dates to Note:

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| July 15    | Picnic                            |
| July 29    | Program Planning Meeting          |
| Aug 4      | NW2 Picnic at Crystal Lake Lodge  |
| Aug 11     | August Retreat – Foundation House |
| Aug 20     | News to Dave Johnson              |
| Aug 30     | Newsletter Folding                |
| Sept 8     | WSSRA Journal Deadline            |
| Sept 9     | SKSR Board Meeting                |
| Sept 8 & 9 | Edmonds Benefit Fair              |
| Sept 9     | Shoreline Benefit Fair            |