

SNO-KING SCHOOL RETIREES  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 11, 2010

*March*

Those Present: Betty Odle, Donna Murrish, Rachel Lake, Rita Requa, Marion Fyall, Evelyn Nordeen, Bob Nordeen, Ellie Bonanno, Linda Fitzgerald, Erma Snook, Jim Sisco, and Cheryl Bauer.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by Donna Murrish. We started with the flag salute.

The minutes were read by Cheryl Bauer. They were approved after the correction of changing Housing Authority to Health Authority.

Donna gave the treasurer's report. She asked Rita when she would like the money to help defray convention costs. Now would be good. Donna reorganized the Winnie Smith Account. Bob Nordeen questioned when we get the membership incentive. It should come in April.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Legislative:** Ellie gave her report. HB 6548 did pass. It is waiting for the governor to sign. Plan 2 default did not go anywhere. While there were no major gains this sessions, there were also no losses.

**Grants:** Virg was out of town. There were three grants yet to be cashed.

**Membership:** Bob and Evie have been hitting the Northshore schools. He was very excited to announce that they had picked up a total of 15 new members from three schools. People have been very gracious and welcoming to them. Just an aside – the white forms are for retired employees, and the blue forms are for active employees. Checks should be made out to SKSR.

**Health:** Gordon was unable to attend.

**Scholarship:** Linda gave her report. The scholarship deadline is March 19. Linda said they already had 6 applications. The committee to select the four winners consists of: Lynn Northdruff, Dave Johnson, Alice Bingaman, as well as Linda and Keith. They will meet the end of March to determine the recipients.

**Outreach:** The retirement seminars have been going very well. The first night had over 150 participants. Bob and Evie will help with the March 25 night.

**Sunshine:** Marion sent cards to the following: Edith Bowers (get well), Jay Lapp (sympathy on the death of his sister), and Chuck LeWarne (get well.)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**February 18<sup>th</sup> General Meeting:** Ellie expressed her "thank yous" to Superintendent Françoise from Northshore and to Jim Hodges, our guest speaker, AKA George Washington. It was an enjoyable and successful meeting.

**Soldier Appreciation Project:** Jim expressed his "thank yous" as well. He collected \$430 from SKSR and \$282 from two other groups. Sixty four zip lock gallon bags were packed and sent to his niece and her unit in Iraq. It was suggested we send the info to the newspapers along with a picture of the items being received.

**Baseball Night:** Jim is extending the deadline for getting tickets to April 16. The game is June 4.

**Hazel Miller Report:** Evie did fill out and send in a grant/scholarship form. One of the people in charge asked to meet with Evie. Linda had asked for funds as well and got the same letter back. Things are still pending.

**NW I Coordinating Council:** There were nine who attended. President Elect Louis Osmonovich attended and spoke. An article was read by Evie written by Kathy Reim regarding setting up a new format for their group. Giving money to the AARP/Haiti can be done individually. The money can be sent to the AARP Foundation. (See attached email from Rita for more info.) Hopefully, there can be an article in the May newsletter. Help will continue to be needed for a long time to come.

Hi all, Please read NY Times article about the elderly in Haiti. I think it shows the need to send a donation to them via the AARP Foundation. Rita Requa

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Earthquake's Burdens Weigh Heavily on Haiti's Elderly

By IAN URBINA

No strangers to hardship, elderly Haitians find themselves distinctly vulnerable and emotionally burdened these days.

**Retired School Educator's Week:** This is March 15-18. Betty always takes cookies for the faculty to enjoy with a note saying they are from SKSR. A proclamation was sent to the three school districts, and in fact, was read at the Edmonds School Board Meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**April 15 Scholarship Luncheon:** Rachel reported that she had gotten Dr. Rick Stevenson, an individual film maker, to speak. (I did go look at his website, and I'm impressed.) He had done a study on troubled students, and in particular, had followed one girl from Einstein Middle School for a period of time. Lunch will start at 12:00; then we will do the scholarship presentations; the program will begin at 1:00. Rachel has contacted Sue Walker, Shoreline Superintendent, and also invited her to speak briefly. (Sign up sheets for attendance and food items were passed around.) Suggestions of raffle items came up for this luncheon. A donated bag by Peg VanNetter will start the raffle items.

**May 18 Joint Sno-Isle Luncheon:** Erma sent around a sign up sheet for this as well. More information will be forthcoming. The event will be at The Spaghetti Factory.

**Nomination for WSSR Award:** Rachel Lake will be our nominee for the Patrick T. Hoban Award. Erma and Cheryl will work on this.

**Requesting Email Addresses:** Jim brought this to our attention. We talked about the possibility of getting email addresses for the next directory which will come out in the fall. People could opt out if they didn't want their address published. It would enable emergency information to get out sooner and reach more people. After an okay from this group, (we did forget to make a motion) an article could go out in the bulletin asking people to send their address to Donna so she can update their record.

**Rita and Convention:** This year's convention is in Yakima and will be June 7-9. Jim Hodges will be the keynote speaker. Rita has charge of Monday and Tuesday, and the new President has charge of the Wednesday training sessions. There are two new classes for people not going to sessions. One has to



do with Face book and the other on what to do with your digital photos. Rita gets her own suite!! It's not too soon to start thinking about our basket. We are also responsible for the table decorations on Tuesday night. Convention registration will be on line this year. There will be a link to the Red Lion Motel.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

- \*The picnic will be July 15 at the Edmonds City Park. (Ellie confirmed this in a later email.)
- \*Rachel spoke about the PAC Budget which she is in charge of. They have a budget of \$7000, but are short about \$2400 at this point in time.
- \*We gave a round of applause to Donna to show our appreciation for all the work she does for our group.
- \*Be thinking about a nominating committee for officers for next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50.

**Upcoming Dates:**

- March 28** – Bulletin Folding (We did not discuss if Alice would be able to get the people needed. Is there a volunteer to organize this?)
- April 8** – Executive board Meeting (Rachel)
- April 15** – Scholarship Luncheon at the Unitarian Church
- April 23** – News to Dave
- May 3** – Bulletin folding
- May 13** – Executive Board Meeting (Erma)
- May 18** – Joint Luncheon with Sno-Isle

Submitted by,

Cheryl Bauer