SKSR Board meeting July 11, 2024

Attendees: Jennifer Altenna, Linda Fitzgerald, Karen McElliott, Jan Phillips, Jim Siscel, Erma Snook

Jim called the meeting to order. He asked us to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of May Board meeting — It was moved and seconded to accept he amended minutes. Motion passed.

Minutes of May General Meeting — It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the May General meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report — Jennifer sent out the end of year report. We have $47,363.27 in our WA Fed general fund. Of the 2023/2024 budget of $57,025 we have spent $38,310.41. We have $7,578.87 in the WA Fed savings account. At Edward Jones the SKSR account has $202,174.70. The Winnie Smith account at Edward Jones has $111,207.

Legislative — no report

Membership — Jim reported that we have 1,376 members, 4 more than we had last month. We had 2 member deaths.

Educator Grants — Karen reported that there is nothing new. She will ask for end of year reports from the 3 districts. There are 2 grantees from Spruce who did not spend their grant this year. She has told them that that money will be held over for them for next fall.

Health — no report

Scholarship — Linda said that Keith will do another article for the upcoming Bulletin.

Sunshine — Barb reported that she sent: a caring card to Garret Lindberg, a sympathy card to the family of Carolyn Rice, a caring card to Ed Orsborn, a sympathy card to the family of Rudolph Cornelian, a sympathy

card to the family of Bernadine Lehan and a sympathy card to Geneva Norton, on the passing of her husband.

Records — Erma confirmed that Jennifer is getting the deceased member report. She then shared a report on the types and number of messages of she sent out this year. Comcast has become increasingly difficult to work with. This is something we need to discuss at the Retreat. She also handed out a report on what her job entails.

Website — Jim states it is up to date except for a few pictures that Karen has sent.

Bulletin — Jo likes doing the Bulletin and will continue next year.

May General Meeting — Cathy reported that we had 28 in attendance. All enjoyed hearing both Mr. Pellicclottii, state treasurer, and Mr. Holden, author. A possibility of having Mr. Holden talk about some of his other local books was discussed.

WA Kids in Transition — Jim reported that there were 10 participants, with a few new individuals. They were able to complete the job.

Convention report — Cathy did extensive research on the email services that were discussed at the convention. She has narrowed that down so that at the retreat we can make a decision. There were 64 different entities, with plans starting at $500. She talked about Mailer Lite, Moosend, Constant Contact and Mail Chimp. There will be more discussion at the retreat.

Jim shared Alan's thank you regarding our donation to his retirement gift.

Picnic Planning — Jan sent around a list of the current attendees. Set up will start around 10:30. It was decided to set up under the roof. People will be seated and their lunch box would be delivered to them. Jim will be the host and an agenda was set. Peter Dietrich will be introduced as the new Executive Director and the new lobbyist, Emmet Mills, will be introduced as well. The agenda will include the introductions, election and installation of officers, honoring Rita, explaining what Erma does and asking for help with that, introduction of the attending grantees and an

invitation to the Retreat. Jim will have a clipboard on the table for PAC donations.

Membership — Jim reported that the mass mailings he did last year did not work out. He has an idea about how to do it this fall and will discuss it in more depth at the retreat.

Humanities for Washington funding — Since we are unsure of our need for a speaker this fall, we will not be seeking funding.

Combine insurance carriers — Jim and Jennifer will check out the possibility of going back to having only one insurance carrier.

Erma asked about the monthly responsibilities list from a few years ago. It might be a good time to revisit.

Budget meeting 7/22 10 am at Jim's

Scholarship meeting 7/22 1:30 pm at Jim's

Retreat agenda — August 15 9am at Lynndale Elementary Agenda items include: No meal meeting start times, Grant proposal, November caterer, programs for next year, scholarship finance committee recommendation, election of officer in May, budget committee recommendations, email carriers.

Bulletin articles were discussed.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Phillips, Secretary