

Minutes of General Meeting October 8, 2022

Called to order 10:09

ZOOM Attendance: Helen Wyrich, Monica Bayness, Cyndy McBride, Karen Plank, Patti Peterson, Barb Brady, Georgia Magarrell, Lynn Lilja, Rita Friant, Janie Sevela, Mert Gullings, Cheryl Smith, Karen Plank, (13)

President Helen Wyrich presiding with Monica Bayness hosting the meeting and recording on YouTube.

Secretary not present, minutes are being taken by Patti Peterson and recorded by Monica Bayness.

The general focus of the meeting was club business as related to the SDP closure and it's impact on us.

Helen noted the immediate concerns include restructuring our club to be independent and supporting issues such as insurance, 501C status, funds, By-Laws, and Standing Rules. There is some urgency considering the end of the year is coming and it takes time for the process. Patti Peterson has some research on federal organization status and is working on recommendations to club. A copy of some research information for members is available via email. Contact Patti at pjpatti93@wavecable.com.

Insurance: Monica is researching insurance coverage. Cyndy noted that her daughter had insurance through ACT, Patti noted that insurance coverage may be needed for Personal injury, general or 3rd party Liability, Directors and Officers Insurance. The club has been advised that insurance currently in place from SDP is good until December 31st therefore coming to a decision should be soon.

Teacher Member Fees: The board requests consideration of the 2023 payment to teachers at a minimum of \$100 for "after meeting" classes. There was substantial discussion and clarification. With no final decision on a general provision, a motion was made by Barb Brady seconded by Monica Bayness to continue the contract with Cyndy McBride for January with a class fee of \$15 per student not including surfaces or separate items to be paid directly to the teacher. The motion passed unanimously (quorum of 13 present). It was further noted that a more general Standing Rule/Policy will be formulated after a club restructure including By-Laws is studied and revised.

Club Membership Dues: Lynn Lilja noted a membership of 35 at this time, The board requested an increase of member dues fee to 420 a year. During discussion it was noted that member fees will need to cover increased costs for fees like insurance, meeting space, etc. Current dues were revised in a meeting and set at \$10 flat fee without updating the Standing Rules. It was noted by Patti P. that those rules have to be revised anyway and could be changed by the membership with a quorum again at a meeting when more financial details were confirmed about costs. Motion by Monica Bayness seconded by Cyndy McBride to have member dues as a flat fee of \$20 for the 2023 calendar year was approved by voice vote with one vote opposed. A new membership form will be on the website and there is no longer a requirement to be a member of SDP.

Vice President, Monica Bayness: Noted we have a seminar in November and the December date for a live Christmas Party. Persons interested in teaching as a part of meetings should indicate their willingness and provide a project photo and description when submitting. Note: The question of teacher fees may affect payment but is not decided at this time.

Minutes: (Secretary not present): The minutes from the meeting of August 13, 2022 were published in the September club newsletter. Minutes accepted by a unanimous show of hands with no revisions/corrections.

Treasurer, Barb Brady: Barb reviewed the current status of club funds. The Checking Account balance is currently \$4030.78 and the Savings account is currently \$3659.02 for total financial assets of \$7690.60. It was clarified that funds belonging to the club will remain ours unless the legal situation for SDP changes. Motion by Karen Plank seconded by Cyndy McBride to accept as presented was approved unanimously. Treasurer's report will be available in club newsletter,

Education, Georgia Magarrell. Georgia noted that there is a limited number of trays for the Rosemary West seminar. Contact her for the surface. Next coming up is Judy Westegaard. She is doing a Santa for us. 2023 slate includes Holly Hanley 2/28, Prudy Vannier, Bobbie Takashima, and Jane Allen. Please watch newsletter for class announcements and signups.

Sunshine: It was noted that Nancy Welch is recovering from COVID and expected to return home from the hospital soon. Card has been requested but you can add your thoughts of comfort.

2023 Board/Officers: It was noted that at the last meeting, the board determined to carry over officers to the 2023 calendar year, however the Secretary is open now and volunteers requested. Patti Peterson is taking minutes for today and volunteered. Motion by Cyndy McBride seconded by Monica Bayness to accept Patti Peterson as Secretary for 2023 calendar year was approved unanimously. Monica will continue to provide YouTube records of meetings.

Hostess, Karen Plank: Karen noted that November meeting was open, Helen volunteered.

Christmas Party: Monica Bayness is coordinating for Christmas Party seeking a restaurant suitable for a semi private event we could decorate some. Patti Peterson suggested either Port Orchard or West Bremerton Pancake House since they have somewhat separate areas are accepting reservations for parties of our size, and allow ordering off the menu. Patti and Monica will get together to plan and confirm.

Meeting adjourned. 11:10 by Helen Wyrich with the unanimous approval of a motion by Monica Bayness seconded by Cyndy McBride.

Respectfully submitted by Patti Peterson 10/20/22

(Approved as printed in newsletter on _____)