

SEDRO-WOOLLEY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

March 20, 2013 1:00 P.M.

**Membership meeting,
Sedro-Woolley Senior Center**

Attendance... 11

President Robin Taylor opened the meeting.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT: Jerry Jewett discussed the scholarship accounts. Jerry suggested the Finance Committee recommend to the Board the number scholarships to be awarded. A motion was made and seconded to this effect. Carried.

Jerry Jewett suggested the investments be moved to a separate column rather than having all income in one bracket, thus making it easier to follow the investments as separate from Plant & Bake Sale, dues, etc.

Discussed Lifetime Memberships. Suggested "sustaining" members paying annual support such as \$25.00 per year. Gene Johnson and Jerry Jewett will bring recommendation from Financial Committee.

ASSISTANT TREASURER'S REPORT: Bonna Beitler and Brenda McGhee reported... 2013 dues... 39 at \$10.00=\$390.00; 2014 dues 11 @ \$10.00= \$110.00; 2015 dues 6 @ \$10.00=\$60.00; 7 Lifetime dues @ \$100.00 = \$700.00. Total dues--\$1,260.00. Picnic 15 @ 15.00=\$225.00; Nine donations... \$255.00; 2 Memorials, \$125.00. Total March deposits....\$1,865.00.

Bonna does not receive report on the PayPal account directly but the February bank statement showed that the account had been credited \$148.42. Jerry Jewett felt strongly that the PayPal report should only go to the treasurer or his assistant.

Bonna reported that 37 have now paid for picnic dinners, we have received 138 regular dues, and we have received 14 Lifetime memberships since the first of the year.

The February 28, 2013 finance statement showed a balance of \$258,457.71.

Lola read the February minutes and the minutes were approved as reported.

Jerry Jewett suggested future minutes be sent out by email.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Robin Taylor announced that Joanna Bruno had resigned as Chairman of the Scholarship Committee. Bonna Beitler reported the group had met and decided to have copies made of the application for each person to spend more time in evaluating the scholarship applications. The meeting for selecting the awards will be held after the membership meeting today. Our awards recognition will be discussed later. Pat Hyatt approved the making of additional copies for the scholarship members because it is hard to grade the applications when we are hurried for time. Jerry Jewett stated the finance committee would have a total of scholarships to be awarded as soon as they could meet with the treasurer.

Gene Johnson asked if our evaluation form lists the parent's finance situation. The answer was "Yes".

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE: Pat Hyatt reported Thompson's Nursery has been contacted and the building for the sale has been reserved. Lola will need forms to be completed and send to the City of Sedro-Woolley. Pat's concern is that we have enough baked goods. We need pies, cookies, breads, etc. Brenda McGhee stated that John Keene might have a good source for baked goods. All food needs to be wrapped in cling wrap or placed in Ziploc bags.

Marlene Mendoza had suggested that all cookies be priced the same. The group felt each person should price their own cookies.

Pat passed out advertising flyers to those that had places to advertise. Judy Johnson has volunteered to place information in the Concrete Herald and the Skagit Valley Herald. Pat felt people should contact as many alumni as possible. We need their support.

We will need firewood for the fireplace. Bud Jones and Lyle McClure might have the firewood. Shirley Arthur will contact Lyle and Verna McClure to see if they will be able to help. Will need lots of boxes and plastic bags. Lola has the cash boxes... Pat will get the startup money. Shirley Arthur will pick up the key for the building. Reidar Ytgard wondered if Nate could put up protection to keep the wind out of the building.

OLD BUSINESS... NONE.

NEW BUSINESS... We wondered if we should have a \$5.00 fee to those that do not eat at the picnic. We could have a "Feed the Scholarship Fund" sign. We need to tell the people the amounts that the picnics have brought in to the scholarship fund so they will feel that they wish to participate. Maybe the Art Department at the High School could make us a sign.

Pat asked if anyone knew how the Newsletter was coming along. Should we be having one mailing and saving \$2,000 per year. We can be putting information in other places the first week of every month for the Alumni to read. We can let the people know that we really need their email addresses. We might suggest that if the people do not have email addresses we could use \$5.00 to cover the expense of printing and mailing the hard copy out.

The Safeway retired employees group used to send a roster and newsletter... now they send email only.

Gene Johnson requested permission to change the reading on the banner to be used at the city entrance to read "second Saturday of July" rather changing the date each year. Permission granted.

The next meeting will be April 17, 2013

Motion to adjourn.

Lola Ellestad, Secretary