

WCPCA Board meeting, New Day Bakery, called to order by Julia at 6:12 p.m., 9/27/15

PRESENT: Julia Harvey, President; Gary Cornelius, Secretary; Patty MacAfee, Treasurer; Nicky Ulrich, Membership Coordinator; Juliet Bender, Vice President; Wayne Thompson; Denise Silfee, Newsletter Editor; James Cloutier; Charlie Goldsmith, guest; and Huxley, also a guest

1) Denise's departure -- Perhaps the most poignant part of the meeting was the goodbye expressed by Denise, who leaves in a few days for a 10-month assignment in Omdurman, Sudan. Hopefully, all are on her email list to be a recipient of her periodic missives about her experiences.

She reported that a new newsletter editor has not stepped forward to take her place, so if that's of interest to any WCPCA member, they should contact Denise or President Julia. Meantime, Denise will continue to edit the newsletter from afar.

2) Curry dinner fundraiser (Curry for a Cause) update -- Much discussion and planning for this big fundraiser, scheduled for Saturday, December 5th at Central Presbyterian Church at 15th and Patterson, near the UO campus, 5-8 p.m. Agreed not to change date even though we just realized it's the same day as the PAC-12 playoffs. The group of us organizing this event is being led by Patty, who did not formally agree to be chairperson, but has been graciously acting in that capacity. A meeting was held 10/8 at the Bier Stein to continue sorting out details. Jeem Peterson will be the lead cook of the chicken curry and vegetarian curry we will sell, and a couple of other people who are not formally part of WCPCA, but have experience and wish to volunteer (Dan and Noy), have been recruited. We will charge \$10 for

adults and \$5 for under 12. Jeem and others are tracking down sources/prices of ingredients and supplies, and Jeem estimates costs of about \$2.70 per serving. Wayne will arrange music and James will do artwork for posters and tickets. Next planning meeting is Friday, Oct. 30, 3 p.m. at the Bier Stein on Willamette.

3) WCPCA Directory -- Nicky reported on the member directory project she has been working on and has produced two versions: a PDF file and an Excel Spreadsheet version, which can be updated monthly, while the PDF would be updated annually. She has sent both to the board; members should review and report any inaccuracies or problems to Nicky... Also, we are reminded that annual membership fees are being increased 10/1/15 to \$20 for singles and \$25 for a family membership. . . . She also reports on her new duties as UO PC recruiter; and a pub night planned for 10/14, 6 p.m. at Wildcraft, a new cider place at 390 Lincoln. Sarah Kassel, PC's West Coast Regional Recruiter Supervisor, based in Seattle, will be there and will help at the UO Street Faire, Oct. 14-16. Nicky is still seeking RPCVs to also help man the PC booth Nicky is also still seeking a permanent home for the world map done at the 2015 Lane County Fair.

4) Finances -- Treasurer Patty MacAfee reported that WCPCA's checking and saving accounts balances total \$4428.05. The June 30th balance in the Beryl Brinkman Memorial Fund is \$30,373.17, and WCPCA has donated \$1404.02 this fiscal year to PCPP projects of Oregon PCVs. . . . Patty reports that the first \$640 to come in from selling PC calendars will go to the checking account to reimburse it for the cost of the 100 calendars; thereafter calendar profits will go to the restricted account for funding PCPP projects. There is consensus that that no more PCPP's should be funded for the rest of the year while we build up our resources.

A full, detailed budget report with more detail was passed out by Patty and is available for others.

5) James seeks and successfully recruits a few more volunteers for Food for Lane County's "Empty Bowls" event on 10/2, one of the annual events we support thru post-event clean-up. Wayne reminds us of the winery social event he has organized at Pfeiffer Vineyards in J. City on 10/11 at 2 p.m. Carpooling encouraged. Twenty to 30 are expected.

6) Upcoming events were reviewed. A fall potluck has been scheduled for Sunday, November 15th at 5 pm at the home of Roger Brubaker, Denise Silfee, who will be in Sudan, and Nicky Ulrich in the Whittaker neighborhood; a Thai cooking class will occur 11/5 at Charles' and Juliet's home. Still a few spots left. November book group gathering will be at Charles and Juliet's also, 11/12, 6:30 p.m.

7) The next board meeting is Sunday, November 1, 6-8 p.m., at New Day Bakery. Meetings are open to all WCPA members. (The newsletter said incorrectly the meeting starts at 4 p.m.)

Notes by Gary Cornelius, WCPA Secretary