

WCPCA Board meeting, 3/12/17 at New Day Bakery, 6 p.m.

PRESENT: Julia Harvey, Pres.; Juliet Bender, VP; Dale Morse, Treasurer; Gary Cornelius, Secretary; James Cloutier; Patty Mac Afee;

ABSENT: Amanda Robinson; Chelsea Brandenburg; Laurette Garner; Nicky Ulrich(ex-officio/UO recruiter)

1. Dale circulated treasurer's report and said he filed the 990 form for nonprofits with the IRS. We have sufficient funds to support several projects for this year.
2. Julia reported that the RPCV Regional Campout, which WCPCA is organizing this year, has been scheduled for July 14-16 at South Beach, near Newport. Sam Greer will help with the organization. We need to set up a mechanism for individuals to sign up and pay for their campsite and one organized group meal.
3. Juliet reviewed the various events planned for 2017 starting with a March 19 potluck at the home of Juliet and Charles. Other events include: a June 1 Send-Off party at the University of Oregon, Gerlinger Hall; a Sunday, June 18, afternoon at the Eugene Emeralds ballpark; an August picnic; September/October Oktoberfest fundraiser at Ninkasi; possible October potluck; and December Story Slam event.
4. Juliet also mentioned the NCPA's "Protect Peace Corps Campaign" to urge local RPCV groups to advocate for saving PC's \$410 million budget and the International Affairs' \$60 billion budget. The Trump Administration has said it will cut the International Affairs budget, which includes PC, up to 37%. Their initial budget is due out on March 16.
5. Still no one has stepped up to fill the position of Newsletter Editor. An announcement will be made at the upcoming potluck.
6. Gary reports there are 7 2017 PC calendars left which he will bring to the 3/19 potluck.
7. Nicky will be sending a notice seeking RPCVs for the UO Street Fair in May, to assist her in promoting PC to students.

8. We have funds to donate to PCPP projects, but currently there are none of Oregon volunteers seeking financial support. Julia has ideas about urging Oregon PCVs to start one. There is a former So. Eugene HS student in Namibia, and a WCPCA member in Macedonia, Kathleen Conery, who volunteers at a school that needs educational supplies.

9. James recruits several board members to volunteer for Chef's Night Out, a Food for Lane County event that we typically help with take down and clean up at the Hult Center. It is 4/04/17, starting at 8:15 p.m.

10. Next meeting – 5/7/17, 6 p.m. at New Day Bakery.

11. Adjourn at 7:17p.m.