

WCPCA Board meeting, 7/23/17 at New Day Bakery, 6:11 p.m. call to order

PRESENT: Julia Harvey, President; Juliet Bender, Vice President; Gary Cornelius, Secretary; Patty Mac Afee; James Cloutier; Charlie Goldsmith, guest. **ABSENT:** Amanda Robinson, Membership Coordinator; Dale Morse, Treasurer; Chelsea Brandenburg; Nicky Ulrich, UO recruiter . . . (Laurette Garner has left the board with a move to California).

1) Juliet discussed upcoming events:

- The annual summer picnic/potluck is planned for 8/13/17, 2-6 p.m. at the home of Don Nordin in Cottage Grove. Address/directions at the website.
- Book group meets 9/14/17, 6:30 p.m. at Julia's in Santa Clara. We will discuss *Marrying Santiago* by Suzanne Adam who served in Chile and married a host country national.
- An event is planned for mid- to late October, date and location TBD; possibly a potluck. Julia will speak about her Tonga experience.
- Second story slam scheduled for 12/3/17, 3-5 p.m., tentatively at Tsunami Books. Gary will contact the owner, Scott Landfield, about our plans and to reserve the venue. Will include appetizers and beer/wine, and perhaps a silent auction.

2) Financial report . . . Dale absent due to family event, but sends word via Julia that we have up to \$2,000 available for donation to Oregon PCV projects. Discussion about a project in Gambia put forth by Megan Judd of Portland, which is to build a covered well in her village, a well that would replace 3 uncovered wells that are not sanitary. This is a Let Girls Learn project. In a vote held online two weeks ago, combined with a positive vote at today's meeting by James, a \$500 donation is approved, 5-0. Other positive votes were by Gary, Juliet, Patty and Dale.

3) Calendars – There is consensus we should sell 2018 PC calendars. Gary will order 100 this week.

- 4) Regional campout -- Julia, Patty and Gary reported the regional campout, which we organized, was a success. There were about 30 people there, from all over the Northwest. Weather was perfect at South Beach State Park near Newport. All seem to have survived the mosquitoes. We essentially broke even on the venture, which was the idea. There was also a regional meeting around the campfire, the main topic being next year's regional campout. The small contingent from Spokane's chapter said no one has stepped up to organize an event for the Spokane area, though it's their turn. Solution: A committee of one person from each chapter will plan and organize an event, communicating mostly by email. Julia will represent WCPCA. A regional Facebook page will be set up for easy dissemination of information. There were suggestions about an appropriate campground in the Spokane area.
- 5) Deb McLoughlin, our internet maven, has asked to bow out after serving for several years. Julia may have volunteer students who could help and she will continue to do a simpler version of our newsletter, mostly photos and info about upcoming activities. She can also consult with Nicky.
- 6) It's time to think about nominations for the 2018 WCPCA Board. Announcements can be made via newsletter and at events.
- 7) Next meeting: 10/8/17, 6 p.m. at New Day.
- 8) Adjourn at 7:01 p.m.

Minutes by Gary Cornelius, Secretary; distributed 7/29/17