

November 16 2015, ENCORE Membership Committee Minutes

Members Present: Rollie Lindstrom Chairman, Marlene Colendich, Elfi Gross, Art Limbird, Kay Limbird, Ellen Norris, Hazel Sealy, Charlotte Thiringer.

Absent: Aletha Westerberg.

Rollie opened the meeting at 1:10 pm. Ellen read the Oct 19 minutes. Motion was passed to accept with one correction.

Rollie indicated that we now have 118 members for this year; 20 are new.

The membership directory has gone out; several members indicated that their copy came on Saturday. The cover this time is green, same as the member application.

Holiday party: the actual party is 12:30-3, with some members arriving early for the decorations. Cheryl will come about 3 to clean up. We need to be out by 4. Serendipity wants the firm headcount 72 hours before, which is mid-day on Tuesday 8th. Everything under the RSVP category in the agenda is Ellen's responsibility; she will get the mail from the post office box, create the list, and deposit the checks. Ellen will give the final count to Rollie, and she will give the final list to Aletha to make nametags.

If people call late and ask to come, they should be told no. We need to be firm that the deadline is December 4. We need to make this a policy. Charlotte moved that we have a firm deadline of December 4th for the reservations, with no exceptions and no refunds. Ellen seconded. Motion passed. Art mentioned that someone might say "I know that xx is not going. Can I go instead?" answer is no.

Art did the invitation and gave it to Aletha who formatted it for ½ page, copied it, and sent it out. Art thanked Aletha for her help.

Aletha told Rollie that she was willing to be in charge of the sign-in table, and will have nametags for it. Ellen will help at the sign-in table. Kay volunteered to be greeter at the door on 12th street. Kay and Art will have a sign on the corner of Commercial and 12th and also at the entrance.

The sign-in table should also have flyers and membership applications. Ellen will take care of this.

Charlotte asked why the difference in price? ENCORE will pay \$6 for the members, but not for guests.

Santa will be there about 2. Marlene just spent time preparing the scrapbook and will bring it. Elfi will do the decorations and Charlotte will bring a tree. Art and Kay will bring greens and a small tree. Serendipity will have white tablecloths with red accents.

Ellen got bright red tickets for the drawings, and will hand them out with the nametags when people come in. Elfi has a few nice gifts and hand-made scarves. Kay will bring some aprons. There are maybe seven bags left, which will make three aprons.

Music: Rollie will bring some CDs. Does the McTavish room have a CD player? Laurie Bradley will play piano. Kit and Aletha will have the song sheets.

Cleanup: Serendipity will clean up the food, we will need to clean up our decorations and sweep up. Rollie will check with Rosemary about the sound system. Larry Bryant is an Encore member and is in charge of the sound system there.

Anything else? No one came up with anything.

Erhard has been approached by Pam Lum about using the Lum's facility for an event. It would need to be over by 7 pm when their employees go home. Erhard said that Lum's may provide snacks. The suggestion is that the Curriculum and Membership committees plan a social event and/or speaker event. Several ideas generated for consideration: asking the Mayor of Warrenton to talk about the changes there in the near future, and asking someone from Lum's to talk about the next generation of cars (hydrogen instead of electric?). The committee is in favor of the idea and we can pass that on to the Curriculum committee; Rollie will bring it up at the Board meeting next week. Art said that this would be sponsored by ENCORE and Lum's, and potentially open to the public. We need to find out if we should present a proposal to Lum's. The Warrenton Community Center might also be a place to do something like this.

There will be no Membership meeting in December. Next committee meeting will be January 18, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 2 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Norris, Secretary.