

September 21 2015, ENCORE Membership Committee Minutes

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

Rollie opened the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Ellen read the July 20, 2015 minutes. Minutes were approved with corrections in the spelling of two names.

Rollie indicated that there are 86 members as of today; 5 are new members.

Goal for mailing the membership directory is the end of October. The members agreed to have the cutoff date for creating the membership directory on October 6 when Rollie, Aletha, and Ellen will meet at 10 am at Grace Episcopal Church to review the list and make certain that the contact information is correct.

Holiday bash: Places that we have used in the past were concerned that the buffet main dish went too fast so they do not want us back. South Jetty Restaurant in Hammond was recommended; Aletha and Hazel both like it. Does Stephanie's Cabin cater offsite? Rollie suggested the Coho room where we had the annual meeting. Marlene suggested the Warrenton Community Center. Marlene will check into caterers. Rollie thought the WCC was \$150-200. Hazel said that the Senior Center in Warrenton serves lunch on Tuesday and Thursday. Rollie said 50-60 people have attended in the past. We probably need to do the reservation before mid-October. Marlene and Rollie will do some research, and the Membership Committee will meet in two weeks on Monday October 5 1 pm here to make the final decisions on date, cater or not, and place. In the past the meal per person has averaged \$12-15/person, with the ENCORE budget picking up the cost over \$10. We can afford to cover \$6 each over what the participants pay; we are looking for a cost of up to \$17/person, with members paying \$10-12.

In contacting possible venues we will ask for Dec 11; 18 is too close to 25 and 4 is too soon after Thanksgiving. Second choice should be a different day (Wed 9th). In the past we have gathered at about 12:30 and served food about 1:30 which is too long a wait. Recommendation is to gather 12:30-45 for meal service at 1 pm. We would like to have a Santa again. We had a speaker from Oysterville last time who did a good job. Think about a potential program over the next two weeks. Want to try for guitarist or the ukulele group so we can do singing; perhaps ask Kit to lead it again. Rollie will ask about the guitarist that we had for the picnic.

Next meeting on Oct 5 will replace the October 19 meeting.

Charlotte put her article in the chamber paper; her next article will be in November. Rollie will draft an article for the newspaper about classes beginning.

Lunch Bunch: Reta Leithner told Rollie that Aletha is arranging lunch bunch this month, which was news to Aletha. Aletha will call her this afternoon. She wanted to have a speaker about how beer is made (home brew), but the Buoy would not let us reserve a space, and Ft. George Brewery does not allow reservations either.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Norris, Secretary.