

## January 18, 2016, ENCORE Membership Committee Minutes

**Members Present:** Chairman Rollie Lindstrom, Marlene Colendich, Elfi Gross, Art Limbird, Kay Limbird, Ellen Norris.

**Absent:** Hazel Sealy, Charlotte Thiringer, Aletha Westerberg.

Rollie opened the meeting at 1:10 pm. Ellen read the November 16 minutes. Motion to accept passed.

Rollie indicated that we now have 131 members for this year. That is a good number for this time of year; there will be more when spring semester starts and the price goes to \$25.

Rollie thanked everyone for all the work on the Holiday Party. He thanked Kay for making aprons. Decorations were well done; a lot of people were impressed when they saw the decorations. Table décor by Elfi and Erhard and the big tree that Charlotte brought were very much appreciated.

Marlene said that there was a suggestion that there be numbers on the tables and the people go to the buffet line one table at a time. There should have been just one line instead of people on both sides of the serving table. There was a log-jam at the serving table. Art said that the food was good and there was plenty of it. Ellen suggested that in the future we have some take-out containers for taking the leftovers home since what was left had to be thrown out, not given away, since it had been out so long. Rollie will go to Cash and Carry to get some for future functions.

Marlene asked if anyone knows where our supplies would be stored at the new Senior Center. Elfi said that the projector that we purchased is gone. The projector sign-out sheet is also missing. Elfi said we had a red plastic bin with a lid on it with supplies that is not in Mary Kemhus' office where it was supposed to be. Kay suggested that someone may have borrowed it for a class and did not know where to return it. Rollie said that Larry said there was a tag on it saying that it was ours. Rollie will ask Reta to ask at the curriculum committee meeting if anyone knows where it is. Art will contact Mary to ask where she has looked for it.

Old business: We can all give ourselves a hearty pat on the back for the holiday bash.

New Business: Erhard is working with Pam Lum about a spring function; Reta, Rollie and Erhard met the other night about it. Erhard will suggest that ENCORE could provide two sheet cakes and ask if Lum's will do coffee. Two sheet cakes will be enough if it is open to the public. The function will be 5:30-7 pm, since they have to be closed at 7. Date will be near the end of February; Erhard and Pam will set the date. Lum's folks will talk about what is ahead for the auto industry. Pam will invite the Mayor of Warrenton to talk about business development there. We will have member applications and it was suggested that we also have printouts of the one-page list of classes for this term.

Art suggested that publicity for the Lum's function should go to the press before our next meeting. Art and Erhard should be able to put something together for the paper as soon as Erhard and Pam come up with a date.

Rollie suggested we talk about a spring social. The annual meeting is the end of May; we can present that as a social. After the Lum's event, our efforts will be geared toward the annual meeting. Suggestions for speaker? Art suggested that we all think about who would be a good speaker. Kay would like to see a focus on our age bracket. Elfi said one time there was a speaker who talked about how to avoid falls, etc; topics of interest to seniors. Another subject would be all the scams that are out there; how to avoid being swindled. Health, internet, access to support systems, or injury/disease prevention; topics that are of interest to all people over 50. Art said that volunteer opportunities would also be a good topic. Also how to recognize when a friend is getting dementia, and how to talk to them about it. Ask Seth about speaking. Kay and Rollie indicated that they would talk to Frank about setting a firm time limit for committee meeting presentations so that the whole function does not go on too long.

Should we have food at the annual meeting? Marlene had a flyer from the community center about the meeting room for the annual meeting. Rollie indicated that Charlotte said that the Elks have a good hall, and if we have them serve food then there they would not charge for the space. Kay said that the new Senior Center would have a large room also. Maximum there is 12 round tables for 8 each, and it has a kitchen.

Dedication of Senior Center is February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Art indicated that the Coast Weekend last week Thursday had an article about the Peninsula Senior Activity Center. It is a nice facility. At some point in the past there was discussion of having some activities with them; do we want to pursue being more involved with them? It worked only moderately before. Rollie was there for a potluck 2-3 years ago. Interest seemed to be lukewarm. We may want to put some brochures there. Either Membership or the Board might want to attempt to make contact and see if we can complement one-another. Art read about the facilities and activities that they have. Rollie suggested that the Membership Committee go as a group to one of their functions. Rollie has some close friends who participate at the Peninsula Senior Activity Center; he could go to one of the social events and see what contacts we can make. Rollie said comments from people on both sides of the river involve both the distance and the drive across the bridge. Kay suggested that we could also make contacts at Seaside or Cannon Beach. We need to get membership literature and the one-page list of classes at places like this.

Next meeting: focus on Lum's activity, spring social annual meeting, and the Peninsula Senior Activity Center. Rollie asked Ellen for cost information of the Holiday Bash that he can present at the Board meeting next week.

Meeting adjourned at 2 pm. Next meeting is 15th of February.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Norris, Secretary.