

Association of Retired Seattle City Employees

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2021

Meeting was called to order by John Masterjohn at 10:08 AM via Zoom

Present: John Masterjohn, Alan Brittenham, Ann Beard, Elizabeth Paschke, Bob Chandler, Mike Nagan, Helen Tsang, Jeannette Voiland, Ann Miller, Ann Kelson, Ed Steyh, Mary Steyh, Melina Thung, Pat Kirkness, Lee Sattler.

Excused: Edie Jorgensen, Victoria Troisi, Merle Overland.

Absent: Florence Harrell, Sharon Mickelson, Larry Mickelson

Minutes from the Christmas Party on December 9th were approved as mailed, with one correction

Communications Committee: Ann Kelson reported that they sent out 72 packets to newly retired City employees and got a 25% positive response.

They also discussed website updates that could help and reported success in recruiting new writers for Newsletter content.

Elections: Ed Steyh reported that we have 4 new Board member candidates running for election along with the existing members up for re-election. The ballots will go out in the March/April newsletter, with the deadline for return March 10, 2021. Ed and Mary will count the ballots on March 12th and report the results. Due to pandemic requirements, the two of them will handle the counting.

Finance: Elizabeth Paschke reported that the financial situation is greatly improved, partly due to the new members recruited by the Communications Committee, and partly because expenses are down because our luncheons have ceased during the pandemic response.

Officer Reports: President John Masterjohn reported that he had received requests for new ARSCE information packets from SCERS.

Also requested by a member was a list of recent deaths among retirees and family members. Discussion was had about the process for getting that information. Victoria Troisi is the point of contact. We talked about adding that information to the Facebook page.

The implementation of the vaccination program citywide was discussed. The state Health Department is putting out an app on Monday 1/18 that will allow anyone to find out where they stand in the line to get vaccinated.

Under Old Business, the website services invoice was discussed. M/S/Passed to pay the invoice. After discussion, it was agreed that bills that are usual and customary will not need official action of the Board unless they are unusually high or otherwise need to be discussed.

Under New Business, The Communications Committee asked for a \$900 annual expenditure to fund the packets that go out to new retirees on a quarterly basis.
M/S/Passed

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM

Next meeting will be held on February 10, 2021, via Zoom. If you are unable to attend, please contact John Masterjohn at 206-362-2245 or e-mail him at president@arsce.org

Respectfully submitted by Alan Brittenham, Recording Secretary