

2-25-16 ELDERS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Diane Albino, Alan Cohn, Katie Cousins, Jain Elliott, Peggy Fitzgerald, Robert Jacobs, Kay Kintzley, Michael James Long, Eric Nicholson, and Dee Wirak (also note taker)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Heather Kent, Roger Lesiak, Robert “Mouseman” McCarthy, Patricia Van Esso

OTHERS PRESENT: Jon Pincus, Jerry Joffe, Patty Marx and Licia Shultz (facilitator)

MINUTES-Motion to approve January’s minutes of the Elder Committee, all ayes. In future substitute minute takers should send the minutes to Alan, he will forward to the committee and after one week for their review he will forward to wonderful elders and Norma for posting on the fair’s website. Also, Peggy will be providing a synopsis report of the minutes to the BOD in their packets per review before their monthly meetings, as does Path Planning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-**KOCF** silent auction/fundraiser will be held at Domaine Meriwether Winery on Saturday, March 5 from 3-5 p.m. Music will be provided by Etoufee. Go to the kocf.org website to see the awesome items to be auctioned off.

Dean Middleton was highly praised while at the fair office and Tom suggested that the radio should be a crew. Also, they have been granted permission to do live broadcasting during the fair.

MISCELLANEOUS-We should get Steel Wool to play at our Meet-n-greet.

-Yes, Alice’s is wheelchair accessible.

-Birthdays could be collected and posted in the monthly newsletter-opt in.

- Clarification re: drivers-We do not have our Geezer drivers on the drivers list, however, FARTS drivers are listed.

-To increase the diversity of our public, yes, elders would be interested in being tour guides to these new attendees if this seed idea goes forward.

APPLICATIONS- Twenty nine new applicants for elder status have been vetted and approved, three have been denied and there are several pending further review. If these are all approved we will have approved 100 new elders in 2016. Since we have reached the 1000 member milestone a parade of elders may be planned for this year’s fair, discussion/planning will be on the retreat agenda.

Thanks to Katie and Patty for all their hard work and also to Katie and Michael for maintaining our database.

REACHING OUT TO ELDERS-Elder Words has gone out on email and is posted on the elders council website. Almost 600 newsletters will be going out by snail mail. You may view the most recent “Elder Words” Newsletter at:

<http://www.ocfelderscouncil.org/ocfeccommittee/ocfec.html> Navigate to the bottom of the page where it says Download Forms if you click on the Elders Words link you can either View and Read or on my computer a window at the bottom of the first page (it is a 3 page PDF) will open and you may download and print the file if you wish.

The newsletter has gotten lots of positive responses already. Peggy, editor, will report back to us next meeting. A request for Geezer drivers was successful. This venue should be used to post other opportunities for elder involvement. We will create a wish list at the retreat. It was also suggested that opportunities be posted at ElderCentral (hospitality tent).

ARCHIVES-Next step? Jerry has sent two emails and left voicemails requesting just 15 minutes of Tom's time, he has not received call or email back. Jerry says that Terry Baxter, professional archivist is willing to volunteer. Time is ticking by. Diane reports that the bylaws committee has addressed the issue as to whether or not the archivist would need to be need to be an officer of the Bod, they do not. She has an upcoming meeting with Tom and she will discuss this then, Jerry will send her info requested.

RETREAT-March 12-13 at Alice's. Agenda created as follows: Saturday: 10 a.m.-Pre-fair planning for the Still Living Room and events (Old Timer's and Meet-n-greet). Create opportunities list for elders involvement. BYO lunch. 1:30 camping & overflow. 2:30 Geezer. 4 p.m.-elder parade discussion. Dinner-loaded potatoes, salad, desserts. Sunday-breakfast, no agenda set-time for carryover items. Lunch of leftovers. Kay, Licia and Eric will grocery shop.

Next Meeting (after the retreat): March 24 (7 p.m.) Elders Committee meeting will be held at Grower's Market, 454 Williamette Street.