

WASHINGTON GOOD SAM'S CLUB
Cashmere Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2023

The meeting was called to order by State President Dave Cluett at 9:00 AM. A roll call sheet of attendee signatures was gathered and is attached.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Minutes of Board meeting in Lynden in May were read, Steve Brooks moved to approve, and the minutes were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Given by Treasurer Robin Leaden. See attached. It was noted that unlike prior years we incurred a small loss in Lynden due to the addition of the cost of the complimentary catered dinner. Our state funds were sufficient to cover the loss. If we had had 8 to 10 more rigs for a total of 60 rigs in Lynden we would probably have broken even. Steve Brooks moved approval of the report, and it was approved.

OLD BUSINESS –

- We have one nomination for the Director position for 2024-2025, that being Dave Cluett. Roy Grinnell moved to close nominations, and Dave Cluett was elected by unanimous vote.
- Dave reported his personal laptop is old and that he will proceed to buy a new laptop at a reasonable price for the President's position, as previously approved.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Dave requested 3 volunteers for the audit committee to perform the annual audit of the treasurer's records. Steve Brooks, Harry Sedies and Al Lamoureaux volunteered.
- We need a new Wagonmaster. Dave distributed copies of a job description for the Wagonmaster. Our thanks to Ed Nelson and Bill Brown for volunteering for these duties at this Cashmere rally.
- We need a new Vice President of the Northwest Area. This position assists chapters with any problems and coordinates responses to potential new members.
- Membership packets for annual update were distributed to the chapter presidents. It was confirmed that our state members no longer need to be a member of Good Sam (Corporate). Updated membership listings and a check for 2024 dues are to be sent to State Secretary, Mary Grinnell, by December 1, 2023.
- We will hold a memorial service on Sunday and Dave requested names of any passed members that were not yet on the list of honorees.
- Dave is ordering boxes of apples at \$10 per box for members wanting them.

- A question was sent to the Chapters to discuss how we should use some of the State Club money in order to benefit our members.
 - We spend money for our entertainment. We have been able to find entertainment for \$500-\$600 but it could cost up to \$2500. The group confirmed that musical entertainment was most desired.
 - It was suggested that we lower rally fees. Consensus was that our current rally fee of \$35 per night was reasonable and necessary to cover the cost of entertainment.
 - It was suggested that we offer a discount for first timers to any rally. If rally fees were free they might not be incentivized to attend. At \$10 per day discount there would be a \$40 savings and this would hopefully encourage existing and new members to attend the rallies. Al Lamoureux motioned that we give a \$10 per day discount to first timers per rally in 2024. Motion was approved.
 - It was asked if the cost of the catered dinner was in the budget. It is considered part of rally expenses. We will continue to have a catered dinner at the rallies if we can get reasonable prices. Our current caterer is at a reasonable cost to us and we will continue with them.
 - It was suggested that we offer a registration fee for the whole weekend as one of our door prizes. No vote is required as it is President's authority to purchase door prizes. We will include it in door prizes.
- Questioned if we should do a potluck at the rally. We discontinued them during the COVID outbreak. As they are a lot of work and have issues, we will limit potlucks to Chapter activities.
- Suggested we investigate inviting school bands as entertainment, as we have done in the past.
- Flag Disposal- We cannot do them at Lynden or Cashmere so Good Sams Club will not be doing them. Interested parties can inquire of local resources such as the American Legion, Disabled Veterans, Boy Scouts, Post Office, other civic groups, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:56 AM.

Mary Grinnell

Secretary