MINUTES of General Meeting Of the Rainier Beach Community Club May 11, 2011

Su Harambe opened the first meeting of the "resurrected" Rainier Beach Community Club at 7:00pm at the VFW Hall, the former location of the RB Community Club. She introduced the current officers and had each say something about themselves. She acknowledged some of the past officers and members for attending meetings and helping the new officers with the transition.

Su explained that the Bylaws, which were last revised in 1972, were updated with only a few changes, keeping the original intent intact. Some of The Club's rich history was shared and the Mission Statement read.

There was time for questions and the following topics were brought up:

Diversity: there was discussion about the need for diversity in our organization and suggestions were made to accomplish that, such as having block parties in the future.

What is the difference between this organization and others in our neighborhood? It was pointed out that this club has more of a social and community project focus versus having a political and safety focus.

There was a short break for refreshments and an opportunity to join The Club.

Jennifer Pritchard led the group in a brainstorming session to generate ideas for neighborhood projects to supplement the list we already had, which was printed on the back of the Agenda. Su shared that the City has grant money available, which we can apply for when we decide on which projects to undertake.

Everyone was given colored dots to stick by their favorite projects that were listed and posted on the wall. The results will be tallied and at the next meeting we will select from the favorites what will be our first project.

Su said that Rudy Campos will speak at our next meeting to share about the City Plan for Rainier Beach.

The meeting ended at 8:30pm with 26 new members joining.

During the Post Meeting Wrap Up all agreed that it was a very successful meeting that was well attended.

Todd asked if some money could be spent on getting a Group Email started. He will ask his techy neighbor for assistance or will find someone else to get us up and running.

We brought in \$77. JoAnn will deposit \$57 into our account and will keep \$20 for petty cash.

Respectfully submitted by Carol O'Brien Recording Secretary