

MINUTES of General Meeting  
Of the Rainier Beach Community Club  
September 14, 2011

Su Harambe, President, opened the meeting by thanking Richard Moore and the VFW for allowing us the use of the upstairs meeting space. Carol O'Brien read the minutes of the last meeting of July 13, as the August meeting was replaced by a pot luck picnic. The minutes were approved as written. The treasurer, JoAnn DeChant, read a thank you note from our scholarship recipient, and reported on the status of the treasury.

Su reported that our club's EIN is still in effect. She said that the Membership Committee that was started a couple months ago is now being called the Design Committee, as they have actually been working on website and flyer design. Therefore, an actual Membership Committee is still needed. Su informed that Elections for officers will be in January and that there will be openings for the Secretary position and four Trustees, however, all positions are available if anyone is interested.

Voter packets were handed out to everyone as they signed in. Su explained how the packets will be used; i.e. all paid members will be given red (no), green (yes) and yellow (abstain) papers to hold up for voting purposes as needed. Envelopes are to be turned in at the end of each meeting.

Todd Gehrke gave a brief report.

Dorothy Driver talked about the Rainier Beach Art Walk, sponsored by the RB Merchants Assn. It will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17, 11am-3pm. Volunteers are still needed for the event and canopies are needed. RBCC will have a booth to promote our club.

Last month's picnic was a great success. Thanks were given to the hula hoop makers. Our Club is now officially a Non-Profit organization.

Our guest speaker, Kristin Kinder from Waste Management, explained about a Seattle Neighborhoods Recycling Rewards Program. All neighborhoods will compete for a prize of \$50,000 for neighborhood improvements by being the most improved at recycling and composting over a six month period. We were asked to be our neighborhood's Partner for this contest. We are in the Friday South section of the city. There was lengthy discussion about the pros and cons of taking this partnership on. Contest dates are from Sept. 30, 2011, to March 30, 2012.

Jennifer Pritchard reviewed the list of suggested projects generated through an earlier brainstorming session. There was a vote to decide if we should take on the partnership for the Waste Management contest. The vote was 13 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 8 ABSTAIN. It was decided to delay choosing a project, as we will now focus on the Waste Management contest and put our efforts into winning that contest.

Su announced that we will be having our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual day after Thanksgiving party and the VFW will be donating the hall. Volunteers will be needed.

Volunteers for the Membership Committee: MC Nachtigal and Dorothy Driver. Carol O'Brien also would like to serve on this committee if a new Secretary is voted in.

Volunteers for Waste Management Project:

Susan Dirk

Stacey Jacobsen

Claudia Groom

Kathie Weibel

Dorothy Driver

Chris Wagner

MC Nachtigal

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 12, 2011.

Respectfully submitted by

Carol O'Brien

Recording Secretary