

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

The meeting started at 7:00pm upstairs in the VFW Hall by President Su Harambe. Carol O'Brien read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved. JoAnn Dechant gave the Treasurer's report, stating that we had excess money left over from our Harvest Social and asked for a vote to have the excess put in a Petty Cash fund to eliminate having to write small reimbursement checks. This vote was approved. She also reported that our bank account at Washington Federal is now closed and we are now banking with BECU (Boeing Employees Credit Union).

Su gave a report from the Executive Board meeting. Discussion was on the Harvest Social and upcoming elections.

Old Business

The Harvest Social was a huge success. There were a lot of new people. Thanks were given to the bands and the volunteers. The slide show was appreciated and enjoyed. It was suggested that the slide show be put on our website. Photos of the event will go on the website. The Recycling effort was good. Someone commented that they appreciated the labels on the foods.

Kathy Weibel reported on the status of the Friday South Recycles program. It is going very well. Tools 4 Grads will have a table at all the Rainier Beach High School basketball games. We had a booth at the South Shore School Holiday Fair. As good as we are doing, we are in the negative in regards to decreasing trash and are in 5th place in the competition.

New Business

Su explained how the January meeting will go. The meeting will start at 6:30pm. After the voting, the social will take place while the votes are counted. Then the meeting will end with the outcome of the vote being announced. There was a discussion about how to expedite the voting if the slate only consisted of one candidate for each position.

The Board will work on finding out the details of how the prize money for the Recycling Challenge can be used or distributed.

Doug Johnson spoke about Occupy Seattle and explained why he got involved. He asked anyone interested to join their efforts and to go to www.occupyseattle.org or more information. Bob Rosenberger stated that the Occupy Seattle movement has been moving into neighborhoods. Bob also pointed out that the Small and Simple Grants are open now and that we should look into applying.

Dorothy Driver informed us that the Rainier Beach Merchants Assn. is open to individual membership.

The following is the slate for the January Elections:

President	Su Harambe
Vice President	Jennifer Pritchard
Treasurer	JoAnn Dechant
Recording Secretary	Dorothy Driver
Corresponding Secretary	Rudy Castillo
Trustee, 2yr	Carol O'Brien
Trustee, 2yr	Doug Johnson
Trustee, 1yr	Tim Aguero
Trustee, 1yr	Don Andre

There was a discussion about what kind of a draw to encourage attendance at the January meeting. We will have a door prize. We will try to get a gift certificate for Café Vignole and Tim Aguero offered at \$400 photo shoot in any Rainier Beach location of choice. It was decided not to focus this meeting on the Club's 88th anniversary so it can be better publicized later in the year.

Eight dollars in new membership dues was collected.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted by
Carol O'Brien
Recording Secretary