RBCC Membership Meeting Minutes: December 11, 2013

Meeting start time: 7:00pm

Minutes Approved

Treasurer's Report: \$545 revenue from the Harvest Social: \$180 in dues and \$365 in donations. Bands cost \$175 each. Two bands. Total left in "party account" is \$150.

Membership Report: Reminder to renew membership. Elections in January and a current membership is required to vote. Permanent name tags will be made for paid members.

Emerson Teachers: Nutrition and Garden Educators spoke. Green Initiative programs at the school include: lunch composting, 6 plot school garden, worm bins, etc. Program is partnered with Speattle Public Schools. Mary Magenta asks if they can join the Garden Walk for next year. School will be out but Tiny Tots program may participate.

<u>Affordable Care Act:</u> Theresa Clark from WA CAN, a grassroots organization that helps residents access healthcare. Important points: WA Apple Health is the new Medicaid. Tax Credits up to 400% of the federal poverty level. Medicare is not changing. Preventative health care free. No lifetime benefit limits. No pre-existing condition exclusions. Children can stay on parent's health care plan until age 26. Disability benefits not changing. Basic Health and High Risk Pool will be phased out. Silver Plans recommended. March 31st is the final deadline to enroll. For January 1st effective date, enroll by December 23rd.

Building Update: Floors finished. Painting has started. Curtains ready to be purchased. Tables ordered through Costco. Finalizing sound and acoustics package. Goal to have rental policies in place by March 2014.

WM Challenge: Styrofoam collection Saturday after Christmas. December 28, 2013 from 9am-noon.

Meeting ended 8:05pm.