

Membership Meeting 9/10/2014, 7:05pm

Treasurer's Report

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Jo Simone compliments RBCC for all the great work. Vilma relayed information about pre-open house for Seattle Aquarium on October 17th. RB Chamber monthly luncheon, South Seattle Matters, October 2nd, 11am-1pm at the Rainier Community Center. Guests include Bruce Harrell, Sally Clark and Pramila Jayapal.

Building Update: Still need to connect sound and speaker systems. Dave Crone volunteers.

IRS Update: Four years of retroactive tax returns filed with the IRS.

ArtWalk: Net profit: \$182 (\$20 canopy rental and \$202 in sales). Su suggests RBCC host an interactive art activity to keep visitors longer and keep with the art theme of the event. Maia said street closure led to too many issues and suggests holding it at the plaza next year. Discussion about the possibility of changing the date.

Recycle: \$2600.00 won by Friday South. RBCC was the only applicant.

Nominating Committee: By November meeting, gather three or more members for this committee. By December meeting, the committee will submit one nomination for each office. Will obtain consent of person first! Requirement that the nominees have paid dues and attend regularly. JoAnn will ask in October meeting.

Recycling Reminder from Carol: We are still collecting bottle caps, corks, and batteries. Only rigid bottle caps collected. Flexible ones, metal caps and those over 3" are not accepted.

Box Top collection for South Shore and Emerson. Bring to RBCC meetings.

Emerson Principal, Farah Thaxton: Second year as principal. Thaxton was previously principal at Madrona Elementary for 3 years. Received "Race to the Top" federal grant that awarded \$330k to add art emphasis. Teachers went received extra training to incorporate more art into curriculum. Partnership with Art Core, a national association that brings Disney musicals to schools. School will put on "Aristocrats" with mentors from Seattle Theatre and perform at Moore Theatre. Other recent program implementations include: mental health support, "Ruler", "Garden", partnership with City Year, "Girls on the Run", free school lunches for all students, hired Cultural Navigator for Vietnamese and Somali students. Opportunities to get involved: partnership with ArtWalk, volunteer to read to students, art supply drive, help with musical set/costumes, spreading positive word of mouth about the positive things going on at the school.

Events This Year and Next: November's Harvest Social. Signing up for volunteers in October. Would like to add slideshow back in this year. Holiday Bazaar in December. Need volunteers. Pull in local artists through NextDoor. Volunteers: Kim, Dorothy, Iris, Joyce, Maia.

Clothing Swap: October 19th, Sunday. Drop off at Iris and Anna Sher's house, if earlier than event. Information on NextDoor.

URB Garden Tour 2015: Need approval from VFW to beautify exterior.

Event Proposal Form by Sally. Iris asks about linking seed swap.

Grants: RBCC disqualified for certain grants for accepting membership dues.

Announcements: Nicki's last meeting. Garage sale this weekend. Carol offers Italian plums picked from a neighbor's tree. Maia: October 10th Tailgate Party at the Plaza. December 5th Open house for commercial district. Holiday storefront challenged to decorate and neighbors get a passport to vote for favorite for cash prizes.

Meeting adjourned 840pm.