

## WFRW Board of Directors' Meeting Saturday, October 16, 2021

**Call to Order:** Billie Jean Liedahl, WFRW President at 9:30 AM

**Invocation:** Earl Moore, Ponderosa President

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Sandi Peterson, Resolutions Chair

**Roll Call:** Colleen Wise, WFRW Recording Secretary  
The Roll call was complete with 21 present, Quorum was met

**Approval of Minutes:** Colleen Wise, WFRW Recording Secretary  
Motion was made to approve the minutes from the last WFRW Board of Directors Meeting held on April 17, 2021 via ZOOM. Minutes were approved as corrected.

**Presentation of Standing Rules:**  
A motion was made to accept the Standing Rules as noted. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Cindy Kadinger  
Fundraisers have met the budget for the year and then some, thank you Ellie Ownbey for the great job. The base report is for 28 clubs. The final numbers for the event will not be ready until all the bills are in. Janice Anderson, Evergreen, made a motion to accept the Treasurers report, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carol Crain. Motion passed. Report has been filed.

**First Vice President's Report:** Sharon Hanek  
We are scheduled for the Spring BOD meeting at the Hilton Garden Inn in Wenatchee. The meeting is scheduled for April 22 & 23, 2022. Sharon will be going to the site to verify that it will meet our needs. We have had this site scheduled for 2 years but with COVID we were not able to have the event. Sharon will also verify any changes to the contract that may need to be addressed. Workshop and Speakers TBA. Several suggestions were given for the Fall Board meeting in 2022.

**Second Vice President's Report:** Georgene Faries  
Monthly Saturday Presidents ZOOM meetings are going well. New NFRW President Eileen Sobjack was the featured speaker at upcoming October meeting. Congratulations Eileen on your win. Georgene asks Presidents monthly "How is your club doing? What can we do to help?". Share your club Praise and/or areas of improvement that we can help you with. These meetings are on ZOOM and will continue.

**Third Vice President's Report:** Ellie Ownbey, presented by Georgine Faries  
Recognized the Chelan/Douglas ladies for the sales efforts and meeting fundraising goals. Sent gifts to Winner's Circle participants for the walk-a-thon. Had a 50/50 raffle and gift card fundraiser for the Fall Board of Directors Meeting. Patriots Bling was presented by Chris Stevens and proceeds were donated to WFRW. Thank you, Chris.

**Membership Secretary's Report:** Toni Whitmyre, presented by Cindy Kadinger  
WFRW currently has 1311 paid primary memberships. This is a 14% increase from 2020. Goal for 2022 is 1200 members.

**President's Report: Billie Jean Liedahl**

Billie Jean started out with the Shining Star Awards for Skagit County and Clark County Republican Women for increasing their membership in 2020 and 2021. Congrats to the two clubs. Billie Jean has plans on visiting as many clubs as possible in the new year. Goal: That all 28 clubs will submit Club Achievement and Caring for America projects and their Volunteer Hours. For this convention cycle 8 clubs achieved the Diamond award, 2 received Gold, 2 Bronze and 15 out of 28 clubs submitted their volunteer hours. Statewide 63,988 hours were reported, 4 clubs submitted Caring for America projects. Billie Jean honored all that contributed. Each club received a gift to thank them. The 3 workshops were well attended, Thank you to Tracey Tribett, Joyce Fiess and Ed Husmann for the panel discussion on school laws, parental rights and as a school board member. Sudie Parker did a great job with the 2nd Amendment Workshop, explaining laws on conceal carry and other interesting facts about what the police can really do. And NFRW 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Elect, Vanessa LaFranco, shared many tips in her workshop on ways to build membership.

**New Business and Committee Reports:****NFRW Update: Roxanne Husmann presented Eileen Sobjack's report**

Quick summary are Eileen's goals as the new NFRW President, 1. Increase membership, 2. Elect Republicans, 3. Tools and Training to get the job done, 4. Work smarter, harder, and longer together. The full report has been filed.

**WSRP National Committeewoman, Marlene Pfeifer, RNC report**

Chair Rona Romney McDaniel has formed an Election Integrity Committee, working with states and stakeholders to ensure best practices. The RNC is opening Community Engagement Centers throughout the states. Marlene is on the Presidential Debate Committee. They are working to making the Presidential Debates fair. Marlene is also on the Convention Site Selection Committee for the 2024 convention. The full report has been filed.

**State of Excellence: Dee Drewry, WFRW Immediate Past President**

WFRW has increased visibility through Facebook, twitter, and the National Federation of Republican Women's Club Spotlight. To date our FB posts have reached over 20,000 people, Twitter impressions reached over 200,000 and Club Spotlights were read by hundreds of women across the county. Dee noted that WFRW received the prestigious NFRW Betty Heitman State of Excellence Award for the 3rd year in a row. WFRW also received a NFRW membership award. The full report has been filed.

**WFRW members currently on NFRW boards:**

Dee Drewry, Technology, Roxanne Husmann, President of the Virtual Clubs, Billie Jean Liedahl, President of WFRW

**Standing/Special Committee Reports:****Americanism:** Sharon Krey, Chair, presented by Billie Jean Liedahl

Note Constitution Corner project posts on the WFRW Web site. Sharon has submitted information that can be used for your meetings.

**Audit Report:** Sharon Hanek, Chair

Sharon noted that we have a clean audit. Checks and expenditures matched. Audit report filed.

**Awards:** Shirley Schreiber, Chair, presented by Billie Jean Liedahl

Shirley has resigned as chair, however, will serve until replaced. She worked with the clubs guaranteeing their reports were correct and submitted on time to the NFRW for consideration of recognition at the NFRW Convention in Orlando, FL.

**Campaign:** Chris Stephens, Chair

Noted that WFRW is clear of any PDC issues. Any questions about contributions please call Chris at 360-908-8483.

**Caring for America:** Sally Taylor, Chair

Sally noted the forms required for Caring for America are on the NFRW site. She congratulated and presented a WFRW certificate of Achievement to Chelan/Douglas for their hard work.

**Resolutions;** Sandi Peterson, Chair

Sandi presented 2 WFRW resolutions and 8 National Resolutions. A motion to adopt the Columbia Basin Clubs Resolution Opposition to any Mandatory Vaccine Policies 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carolyn Crain. Motion passed. A motion to adopt the WFRW Virtual Club to support our Republican lawmakers to reform the governor's emergency powers. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shannon Motley. Motion passed.

**Legislative & Public Relations:** Carolyn Williams, Chair, presented by Dee Drewry

The WFRW site is updated and ready for your club to send information to Carolyn to post. Our club spotlights are read by hundreds of women across the country. We are an active state, lets show that on the web site. Carolyn is ready to help your club, please contact her to get your information posted. WFRW FB page has reached over 20,000 views, Twitter has reached over 200.000.

**Scholarship Fund:**

There are 4 members on the committee, they will be reviewing submittals. Forms and criteria for scholarship dollars will be posted soon.

**WFRW Day at the Capital Monday:** February 28, 2022

Dee Drewry announced this is now set and confirmed with Olympia. Will be with any as Olympia advises us on if we will be able to be at the Capital.

**WFRW 2022 Spring Board Meeting:** April 22 -23, 2022 in Wenatchee, WA.

**WFRW 2022 Fall Board Meeting:** TBA

**Other Announcements:** for the good of the Federation

Roxanne Husmann announced the Virtual Club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday for 1 hour. Must be a member or associate member to join meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 12PM**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Colleen Wise  
WFRW Recording Secretary