

Washington Federation of Republican Women

Minutes for Spring Board Meeting

May 11, 2024

Campbell's Resort - Lake Chelan, Washington

Call to Order: WFRW President Billie Jean Liedahl at 9:12 a.m.

Invocation: Jan Grayhek, Ponderosa President

Pledge of Allegiance: Carolyn Crain, Southwest President

Roll Call: Janet Backe, WFRW Recording Secretary – Quorum met with 31 members + 3 proxies

Approval of October 21st BOD Minutes: Janet Backe, Recording Secretary. - Minutes approved.

First Vice President's Report: Teris Sinclair – The 2024 Fall WFRW BOD meeting will take place Oct. 18-19th at the Hilton Hotel in Lynnwood. A save the date mailing will be sent out. 2024 Spring BOD locations to be considered are: Lake Chelan, Leavenworth, or Wenatchee.

Standing Rules: Sandi Peterson moved to wave the reading of the Standing Rules. Roxanne Hussman seconded. No discussion. Motion was carried.

Second Vice President's Report: Cindi White – Monthly presidents' zoom meetings are the fourth Saturday of the month at 10:00 am. The meetings provide informative advice and occasionally a guest speaker. Cindi was recently appointed as Director of Concerns and prayer for the National Faith Coalition. Congratulations, Cindi!

Third Vice President's Report: Ellie Ownby – Fundraising. Ellie was away on a cruise. 2nd VP Cindi White read Ellie's report. Fundraising brings in \$3,000 a year. Fundraisers include 50/50 raffle at two BOD meetings, Winner Circle membership, and sometimes a donated basket. We also depend on individual club donated items for the silent auction. Ellie thanked all clubs in helping the WFRW create a fundraising success.

Membership Secretary's Report: Cindy Kadinger – Cindy stated WFRW has the wind at our backs with membership. WFRW made 4th in membership. Clubs who increased their membership were: Lewis, Whatcom and Cascade.

Treasurer's Report: Sharon Hannek – BJ Shamburger moved to approve and Roxanne Husmann seconded.

The keynote speaker during the buffet brunch was Eileen Sobjack, NFRW immediate Past President.

New Business and Committee Reports:

WSRP National Committeewoman: Marlene Pfeifer

Marlene is on the Planning Committee for the RNC Convention to be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Marlene also serves on the Debate Committee

Michael Whatley and Lara Trump will be the RNC Convention's Co-Chairs.

Eileen Sobjack serves on the Platform Committee

Election of Nominating Committee: Dee Drewry, Presiding – 7 total = 5 BOD Members and 2 At Large

Nominations: Joy Casetlelante (At Large), Debbie Eddinger (At Large) Jan Grayheck (Board), Eileen Sobjack (Board), Judith Finney (Board), Cindy Kadinger (Board), Dallas Parr (Board).

Sandi Peterson moved to accept the slate. Shannon Motely seconded. Slate approved.

Alternates; Sharon Hannek and Beth Daranciang. Carol Roberts motioned to approve, Tracy Abuhl seconded.

Alternates approved.

Dee Drewry advised nominating committee to meet at the end of the meeting to elect a chair.

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Americanism Report: Billie Jean Liedahl gave Sharon Krey's report. Sharon was unable to attend. Bite Size training on the Constitution is available.

Audit Committee: Chair, Dee Drewry – 2024 Financial has been completed. There will be a final review before sending the tax return.

Bylaws Committee: Karen Olson – Dee Drewry read Karen's report. Dee reminded club presidents to review the WFRW By-Laws. She also recommended to review the WFRW Standing rules.

Club Achievements/Volunteer Hours – Chair, Dallas Parr reviewed how to submit information and reviewed the NFRW Awards Forms

National Club Awards: President Billie Jean presented awards to:

Cindi White – President of the Spokane Club - Diamond Club Award

Carolyn Crain – President of the Southwest Club – Diamond Club Award

Sandra Kim – Southwest Club, won a National Award for making telephone calls

Pam James – President of Chelan Valley – National Golden Award for achievement

Campaign Committee: Chair, Shannon Motely advised once again to read the Standing Rules and Candidate Endorsement rules. She reminded club presidents to not endorse prior to the primary.

Caring for America Committee: Chair, Carol Roberts - WFRW has chosen "Apples to Wheat". She advised club presidents to send their club's "Caring For America" selection to Carol and she will put it on the WFRW website. Please send photos also.

Legislative Committee: Chair, Judy Billings. Judy reviewed the "Click and Send" and how well it is doing throughout the state. President Billie Jean praised her for the excellent job. Judy mentioned to get the list of endorsed candidates from your county's Republican chair.

Public Relations report: Carolyn Williams, Chair. Dee Drewry read Carolyn's report and imp hazied to get used to going to the WFRW Resource page and FB page. All information is on the resource page.

Resolutions: Sandi Peterson, Chair. No resolutions to report. However, Sandi suggested to write a small resolution to thank Campbell's resort. Teresa Hobbs moved to accept and Jan Grayheck seconded. Motion passed.

Scholarship Fund: Dee Drewry, Chair, reported that two \$1,000 scholarships were awarded. Looking for applicants this year. Go to WFRW website to read the criteria. Deadline to submit is July 1st.

President's Report and Announcements:

President Billie Jean Liedahl announced that the WFRW Fall BOD 2024 Biennial Convention, will be held on October 18-19th at the Lynnwood, WA, Embassy Suites.

The NFRW Convention/BOD 2025, will be held September 25-28th

Billie Jean encouraged members to join the WFRW Virtual Club. Contact Roxanne Hunsmann

50/50 Raffle winner: Aimee Boiselle

All member joined in singing Earl Moore a Happy Birthday!

Meeting adjourned at 12: 30 p.m.