

Hi All,

Small correction - added that Gus is also considering the Holiday Inn Express in Astoria and he will get back to us via email about what he finds out about beach weekend 2020. These additions have been included below.

Here is a proposed set of minutes for last night's EDSO Board meeting. Please let me know if I left out anything or if there are changes that need to be made. These minutes will be considered approved after 10 days without corrections (1/28/2019).

The Winter 2019 EDSO board meeting was held at the home of Greg and Susan Thiel on Thursday January 17th 2019. Attending were board members Greg Thiel, Don & Lynn McHarness, Gerard Forsman, Wayne Schweinfest, Linda Jaress, Ann Stumpf, Barbara VanWoerkom, Roy Marshall, Erik Miller, and Gus Arellano. Also attending were EDSO members Vince Codella, Eileen Arellano and Wayne Stumpf. A quorum was present.

After a light dinner, the meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM. The Secretary reported that there were no changes to the Fall board meeting minutes and the Treasurer reported that our balance was \$2802.67 as of December 31st 2018. He stated that our bank balance approached a low of \$500 after paying Christmas Party bills. When asked, he said that he was comfortable at this time with keeping the \$2 member discount for 2019

The membership chair indicated that we have eight 2018 members who have not yet renewed for 2019. The President asked board members to try and bring in potential new members.

It was mentioned that our next event is Allium in West Linn on Thursday January 24th 2019. Erik has Noreen O'Connor and Kate Weigant helping him arrange events this year.

Don McHarness discussed plans for the 2019 Beach weekend which will be 8-10 February 2019 at the Hallmark resort in Cannon Beach. We currently have 23 folks signed up for the weekend. Don's current plan is for Friday dinner at the party room (clam chowder and pot luck sides) and Saturday catered dinner from Nonni's Italian Bistro in Seaside.

In other event news, Erik asked for suggestions for Portland Dining month events and the Stumpf's agreed to host the St Patty's Day party on Saturday March 16th. Barb and Vince will see about setting up an event in Vancouver, possibly at the waterfront park this summer.

Gus Arellano explained his site research for the 2020 Beach weekend. He has been looking at Astoria and Newport. There was some discussion about which hotels and which weekend. The consensus was that if we needed to deviate from our normal weekend before the Super Bowl it would be OK to do it Super Bowl weekend. The preferred hotel in Newport would be the Elizabeth Inn and the Holiday Inn Express in Astoria. Gus will get back to the board with his findings in about 10 days.

We had a short discussion of the 2019 Christmas Party. The Treasurer mentioned that the subsidy for the Christmas Party was \$1333, about \$100 more than 2017. The Treasurer would prefer that we have a smaller subsidy in the future. The President mentioned that one of the sites being considered was Ranees on Main in Oregon City.

Barbara Van Woerkom passed out a list of all past EDSO Presidents as well as a list of current members and which year they first joined EDSO. She has been researching old newsletters and membership lists. It was agreed that scanning and placing more old newsletters on the web site was a great project and that we were happy that Barbara was willing to do it. Gerard has a large box of historical EDSO information (newsletters, press clippings, etc.) that he'll make available to Barbara to help in her research. It was also agreed that we should place the new member orientation letter on the web site. Someone asked where the "contact EDSO" form on the web site goes. Gerard explained that he gets those messages and, after he deletes the spam, he forwards the others to the appropriate person.

Linda Jaress mentioned that the Oregon Food Bank had contacted her and asked if EDSO might want to take a tour of their facility. We thought that this might be nice and could possibly be combined with a lunch event.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM. Our next EDSO board meeting will be at Greg & Susan Thiel's home in Multnomah Village on Thursday April 18th 2019.

respectfully submitted,

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