

Minutes of Golden West Council Meeting of May 3, 2003

President Wesley Fachner called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Present were Greg Meldahl, Jacqui Anderson, Dodi Monti, Sherry Morse, Scott Schimberg, Bill Rollins, Dave DiMare, Rommel Parseh, Robert Hulin, Linus Li, Sharon Piekarski, Sam Thomas, Mike Van Roy, Lisa Gonzalez, Terri Dommer, Trudia Pauley, Mike Schneider, Donna-Fay Bower, Olga Danileritch, Bev Perkins, Sandra Giberson and Wesley Fachner.

Wesley read excerpts from an item found on the Virginia council's web site which gives the definition of a council, its purpose, who makes it up and what it does. He indicated a need for all members to be aware of the purpose and value of their council and recommended that chapter officers take this information back to their respective members.

Minutes of the February 1, 2003 meeting were distributed and approved.

The Treasurer's report was distributed. Mike Schneider noted that expenses from the February Board meeting were not included on the report because he wasn't in attendance and didn't have the information. It was also noted that there was no loss showing for the REST because the Pacific Northwest Council absorbed the loss. The audit committee report was read by Jacqui, who noted 3 items from Scott Choi without documentation, totaling \$5,700. Donna Fay will research these items and report back by next meeting. Wesley requested approval of disbursements for speaker gifts and council expenses, which were approved by the Board.

Lisa Gonzalez thanked Tom Monti for doing the newsletter for her.

Robert Hulin, on behalf of the committee (Lisa Gonzalez, Sandra Giberson and Dave DiMare), reported that the roster has been prepared and distributed. He noted that advertising in the roster would make huge profits for the council, and asked for ad submissions for next year's roster. September is the projected goal for producing the CD's to distribute to the chapters. Robert also noted that the only way the national database is updated is when an individual updated his or her own information. Wesley asked all chapter presidents to let members know this.

Sandra Giberson had nothing to report from Membership.

Wesley reported that Mary Ann Barker was not present, so there was nothing to report from Education.

The Nashville hospitality suite was discussed at length. Pacific West Council has informed the Hospitality Suite Committee that it is not willing to be liable for more than \$750 to operate the suite. It was decided that "teamwork" pins would be sold at \$15/head to get into the room, and that the proceeds from the trading pin and admittance pin sales would be used to fund the expenses of the suite (samples of pins were displayed). Revenue to date is \$65 and expenses to date are \$1,000 for the suite and \$600 for pins. Becker has offered a CMA course to raffle off to help defray the Golden West cost of the suite. Today's raffle money also goes towards the cost of the suite, as well as donations by individual members of the council. Volunteers were requested to man the suite. Jacqui requested additional suggestions off-line.

REST 2004 was discussed. The financial statement for the 2003 REST was submitted and discussed. Dodi Monti reported that she and her husband will do name tags and brochures for 2004. Tentative dates of February 19-21, 2004, based on information from the Pacific Northwest Council, were noted. Various suggestions were made regarding sponsorship of the upcoming REST. Patricia Myers and Romer Stevenson, neither of whom were at this meeting, are on the 2004 REST committee, and will be consulted regarding our options.

Wesley announced the Student Conference in November, and noted that information is available on the web site. Director training in West Point July 17-19 was also announced.

Tentative dates for future meetings were discussed and set at:

July 19th in San Jose

October 25th in Stockton

January or February, date and location depending on outcome of REST decisions

May 1st in Sacramento (also the leadership training session)

Wesley discussed visiting troubled chapters to see if they will be staying in the Council. Wesley also informed us that he can get the Rockefeller Center in San Jose for an 8-hour seminar if we would like to sponsor one this year.

Greg Meldahl distributed and summarized the report of the national Member Services Committee, which submitted a proposal based on goals set for them by the Executive Committee. He asked that any questions be e-mailed to him, and that any feedback be submitted to Dodi for her May 12th National Board conference call meeting.

Dodi Monti reported that the national Board has submitted a balanced budget, which includes a dues increase of \$30. Several issues were brought up during the course of the breakout sessions and this meeting which she will take to the May 12th meeting on behalf of the Council.

Dave DiMare reported on roster participation. He has asked National if preparation of a CD counts for "publishing" of a roster. He will let us know when he gets National's response. He also reported on the status of regional Peninsula chapter. Amador Valley reported that they are in the top 25% of Warner division and have a May 13th meeting in Pleasanton. Reno reported a great web site and the chapter's willingness to participate in Council events. Sacramento reported a large student membership. Chapters reported problems getting new member packets from National in a timely fashion and resulting loss of new members. Chapters were told to e-mail their complaints regarding non-response by staff at Montvale to either Dave Schweitz at National or Dodi, who will forward the concerns to Dave.

Dodi Monti distributed the national Marketing Plan to Council members.

Dodi gave her nominations report (attached) and the submitted slate was elected.

Wesley Fachner adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary