

Board Meeting Agenda and Notes

Date May 1, 2022

Time 10:00–11:15 a.m.

Location Zoom

★ = Present o = Absent

o Arnstein, Ellen

★ Berry, John

o Celaya, Brianna

o Cleveland, Brad

★ Collins, Erin

De Sal, Aaron

Daneker, Lee

★ Holmes, Sally

★ Morkill, Garrett

★ Ritchey, Jenn

★ Sebastian, Kathleen

★ Siangco, Jerome

★ Sundgrenz, Evangelina

★ Tran, Kenney

★ Walters, Carolee

Guests: None

1. Welcome and Intro (Kathleen)

- Introductions and committee updates will follow Board structure, by section and committee
 - Executive: Officers and Directors-at-Large
 - Administrative: Communication, Fundraising, Membership
 - Events: Regular Events, Special Events
 - Service: Advocacy, DEI, Grants, Community Service, Mentorship

2. Committee/Board Member Updates

Executive Committee (Kathleen)

• March 6, 2022 minutes. Approved by electronic vote.

• Treasurer's Report

April reconciliation not yet available; at end March, we had \$9,577.79 in the bank. Approx \$200 income from Amazon Smile, a Benevity donation, and individual donations. **2022 Budget** available on G drive here.



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Administrative Committees

- Communications (Sally)
 - Updated Facebook page and group guidelines
- Fundraising (Kathleen)
 - GiveBig 2022 campaign info has been shared in newsletter and FB. Some of our past grant recipients are participating.
- Membership (Kathleen) 21 new members YTD

Events Committees

- Regular Events
 - **Happy Hour** (Garrett) Last HH was in Ballard, about 10 people there, including people from FB group, RPCVs of Seattle. We can cross-post to their group and encourage them to join SEAPAX.
 - Book Club (Gail Coburn) Feb and April meetings held on Zoom. June meeting will be in person, U District rail station. Typically, 10-12 attendees.
- **Special Events** (Kathleen)
 - **Glenn Blumhorst**, NPCA President, is making a personal trip to Seattle in June. Meet and greet with members, June 9, in conjunction with Story Slam.
 - Story Slam Garrett researched numerous options for an outdoor setting where we could have food and beverages. Costs/pricing being evaluated; likely will require contribution by SEAPAX to keep ticket prices low.
 - Board consensus is to proceed with the event as an important way for members to have the chance to meet Glenn, to come together "post-Pandemic," and to generate interest in and support for SEAPAX.
 - "Come together" will be the Story Slam theme
 - Share event details and outcome with NPCA
 - Work with caterer to flesh out menu options and pricing
 - Board vote to approve non-budgeted expenditure
 - Will need strong support/promotion by Board



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Service Committees

- Advocacy (Jerome) Would be happy for additional committee help there is always something going on with Advocacy group!
 - Dear Colleague Letter
 - April: Suzan DelBene, Pramila Jayapal, Rick Larsen, Kim Schrier, and Marilyn Strickland
 - May: Senate Letter coming up
- Community Service (John/Ellen)
 - Ellen is working to set up an event at King conservation district's nursery, potentially a SEAPAX group event.
 - John is exploring the possibility of a partnership with World Relief Western
 WA to support refugees. Will pursue discussions and report back.
 - SEAPAX members with connections to local service organizations are welcome to propose ideas for one-off activities or longer term partnerships.
- **DEI** (Kenney) Continues to monitor progress at the national level and will keep us informed of news from other affiliates in connection with DEI efforts.
- **Grants** (Kathleen) Updated language on website to prepare for launching new grant cycle. Promoted in newsletter and FB.
- **Mentorship** (Jenn) Interesting ebb and flow of mentors vs mentee numbers. Newsletters appear to boost interest.

Calendar

- Meet and Greet with NPCA President Glenn Blumhorst and SEAPAX Second Annual Story Slam, June 9, 5-8 PM
- 2022 Future Board Meetings (all Sundays, 10 AM-12:30 PM; may resume in person, to be evaluated case by case, as detailed above)
 - July 10
 - September 11
 - November 6 (Annual Retreat)