SEAPAX Board Meeting January 31, 21010 3PM

Attended: Matt, Katie, Larry, Scott, Hiary, Joana, Temma, Jessica, Aileen, Brooke, Josh, Rita, Melanie, Caitlin, Carolee, Michael

Updates

State & federal reports

All reports have been filed on time: Dec 15th for IRS, Jan. 29 for State of WA; and NPCA group membership renewal

State nonprofit corporation renewal can now be done online. Cost is still \$10.

NPCA

SEAPAX' 2010 Renewal sent NPCA is now recruiting people for the steering committee of their Group Leaders Forum, and for a new Coordinator of the GLF. Al

SEAPAX biz

it's not too late to plan attend to attend the Western region RPCV Group Leaders meeting in Portland on Feb. 6. Joe Hindman just sent out a reminder memo

Joana posted on box.net: Annual SEAPAX work plan contact details for the respective state & federal agencies to which we must make annual reports

SEAPAX 2009 annual report will be posted on our website as soon as it is finalized. All Board members were sent a copy for proofing.

Grants

Senegalese project was funded seed storage project - \$500.00

Calendars

Submission deadline for photos is end of January
Will consult with Jennifer if she is going to order more this year...
she is taking over calendar sales in 2010
Received 250 last year

Management topics

Align SEAPAX report year to calendar year

Aiming to streamline with our budget

Dec 15th deadline for IRS report cannot be changed, or only with great effort, as it's keyed to be exactly 5 months form end of a group's FY.

But our internal operations should not be an issues

NPCA database login

Going to be discussed at Portland meeting next weekend Needs to be determined if member group can get its own login NPCA has inconsistent rules: an RPCV group's members ae not required to be individual NPCA members, but NPCA is currently restricting access to a GROUP's files only to gorp officers who are also INDIVIDUAL members of NPCA

Each group can only designate 3 members/leaders for group file access privileges

- but our members who have this access are still unable to get into database (Aileen, Joana)

Joana will ask other groups attending to join us in requesting a change of policy from NPCA

Underlying is that NPCA has never resolved issue of status of groups within NPCA

Board meetings in 2010

March 7 – Sunday / tentatively at College Inn Pub – U District. Larry Kaye will verify availability & get back to su ASAP in case other plan needs to be made.

Fundraising plans

New board to decide if we want to do something other then sell calendars

Events & planning

Pub night after RRO resource seminar, Feb. 3 – pub night starts at 5:30pm

Tap House Grill after Resource Seminar for newly returned volunteers at Regional PC Office /downtown in Westlake Building-3 – 5pm

Jennifer is point person

Regional RPCV Group Leaders meeting, Portland Feb. 6
Leaders and members of RPCV...open to everyone!
Joana and Paulette and maybe Temma will be attending

Picnic application due Feb. 15

18 July 2010

Beach side of Mangnuson Park - shelter number one

Woodlawn Park

Seward Park

Aileen is going to submit the application

Once in Afghanistan potluck for producers, Feb. 23 (film shown Feb 24) SEAPAX event only at Temma's house...with producers – 6pm 23 Feb

Film at Shoreline Community College – film shown 24 Feb

March 1st – 5pm

Matt Maria is hosting a wine and cheese event at his house at 5pm to see Jerry Diamond.

At Benaroya Hall – tickets through Benaroya Hall

Confirm participation by Feb. 1 in LWV Women& Climate Change event, Mar. 4

Need volunteers to staff a info table– At Town Hall / Downtown 7pm – Temma will attend

World Languages Day @ UW, Mar. 5, 10-1

Need Volunteers to staff a resource table – getting high school teachers and students interested in foreign languages – Hilary and Joana will be attending

PC info night @ REI, Mar. 5, 5:30 - 7 pm

Need volunteers to teach various REI customers about your experience or country. Dress/Song/Photos/

One hour free parking at REI garage

Confirm SEAPAX June campout. Scott prepared list of possible sites for group selection .

3rd annual SEAPAX campout

June 25-26 2010

1st choice Dosewallips 2nd choice Scenic Beach

Regional Campout (WA/Or/ID)- will be hosted by Porltand groupl site is in Bend area

Aug 12 2010

Complete major event plans for year

Elections

Call for nominations

Nominations by February

Nominees address board Sunday March 7 – 3-5 pm

College Inn Pub

Process & timeline

Pres/VP/Sec/Tres/At large positions/Events Chair/Grants Chair

Joana stepping down to at large board member Brooke is stepping down as membership chair Matt is stepping down as grants chair

Responsibilities

New Business JR report from Seattle Public Library meeting 50th PC Anniversary

Joana met with asst director of Seattle Public Library and they loved the idea of doing something with us to commemorate .

Timeline: not yet established, can be anytime during & after March 2010. If in March. , we would need to submit plan by October 2010 and communicate that to SPL-I

-Possible ideas: Book readings? RPCV authors? Tables/Case display/Cultural night

We decided to set u[50th PC Anniversary Committee & put out general call for volunteers

SPL is also actively Looking for volunteers for their ESL programs for the public: small discussion groups – and group language learning via computers. Joana will be in touch with ESL manager & report back to SEAPAX

...... from PC RRO mentioned plans underway inPortland, related to short-term exhibit for Musuem of the PC Experience; call for items to donate to display at history museum, which are due by April 1.

A request is going to be made for a PC 50th Anniversary Commemorative postage Stamp

Community Service

Donation to Haiti relief

Joana asked group to make a decision on whether SEAPAX should donation to Haiti relief. Several people suggested possible recipients of funds, including:

- Partners in Health
- Red Cross

- Doctors Without Borders (MSF)
- Matt suggests not to send money due to misuse of funds Vote from attendees was in favor of making a donation. Then voted to donate \$ 250 (7-5 vote) to Partners in Health

SEAPAX will revisit making another donation to Haiti later, in 8-10 months depending on need

Discussed goal of more active/community service type activity to conduct to raise funds for Haiti and in genenral, so that SEAPAX moves beyond only engaging in checkbook philanthropy

Other