

**Greater Portland Area Chapter
Women's Council of Realtors**

June 28, 2007 Board Meeting
PMAR Boardroom

Meeting was called to order at 9:04am.

Attendees: Judy Eberle, Mary Carleton, Dianne Edwards, Jill Gregory, Julie Morris, Jorie Barnum, Pat Dale, Kerri Steinmann, Karen Wegner.

Excused absentees: Shelby Bishop, Cathy Mankus

Motions passed: Jill Gregory made a motion to give a WCR branded gift (\$30 max) to all of the speakers for our chapter luncheons. Kerri Steinmann made a second motion. The Board all agreed to pass the motion.

Treasurer report: Jorie gave financial report. The bank balance is \$12,784 which doesn't include luncheon total from June, or 10% to the state. The fashion show results showed a total net of \$12,251.53.

Membership: Julie has contacted all of the local affiliates who have not made payments. There were 9 members dropped for non-payment, as of 6/26/07. At this point, we have 52 local affiliates, and 88 national members, for a total of 140 members for the chapter. We have had 3 new members sign up from our last meeting.

Reservations/Sign-in table: Cathy is absent. Judy did speak with her and things seem to be running smoother. Pay Pal is working great.

Hospitality: Pat purchased about 150 candy bars and sent the bill to Jorie. She gave Deb Runnion-Jessup all of the leftover goodies from past luncheons, so that they could be used on the Casino Bus Trip. This seems to be a good way to keep the expenses low for our chapter hospitality. Online-Ed provided the pansies for the last luncheon.

Publicity: Jill is working hard to keep WCR brand in front of our local industry.

Newsletter: Jill should have the next newsletter out by the end of July. She is looking for articles and other ideas to feature in this issue. She'd like to include a wrap on the Casino Trip and the Clash of the Titans. She will contact Burt to get photos from the luncheon.

Lunch Patron: Karen has 2 spots covered in July. Jorie is missing records of which patrons have paid up to this point. Karen will compare her reports with Cathy's reports to find out who has paid and who needs to be billed. She will get this to Jorie for accounting, ASAP. She has been having good luck with procuring patrons, by walking around the luncheon and networking with members, and asking for the contribution.

Old Business

Mary Carleton was the only member who showed up to the Habitat for Humanity Women's Build, on her work day.

Wine Tour needs to be re-scheduled for a later date. There are now 10 spots filled and if anything opens up, Jill will let everyone know.

Judy has been requesting feedback from our programs and has had good response from the members. She's just started to send these to the board and the board agreed that this is a good idea.

November event ideas brought up by the board are; poinsettia and wreath sale, recipe/entertainment book, and evening dinner installation with a keynote speaker, wine & cheese tasting. Judy would like for us to shoot her an email with any new ideas that we have.

New Business

Julie Morris will be running the luncheon meeting in August. Mary Carleton will be running the meeting in September.

Kerri Steinmann will ask Jo Kenny about the Red Skelton interpretation of the Pledge of Allegiance. This is something that we can have our patron recite as the inspiration at our July luncheon. Julie will also try to find this and forward it to Judy.

Judy would like to have a board appreciation retreat to give the board thanks for all of the hard work. The event will be held in Forest Grove at Mark Turnbull's Christmas Tree Farm. We're hoping to have the event on August 18; Judy will send an email out to confirm this.

The WCR meeting in Salem went well. About 26 people from all over the state came to support the cause. Salem would like to have a chapter at some point, they have 4 members at large, for now.

Julie Morris is the president for the Boys and Girls Aid Society and they are getting ready to have their annual fundraising event. They are in need of donations from local citizens to help off-set the costs, and she would love to see WCR be a sponsor. The sponsors are highlighted the night of the event with signage, and of course we are all invited to attend the event in September. Julie will get us more information on the sponsorship so we can see about tying this organization in with our November event.

***Please note our next Board meeting will be on July 26, 2007 at 9:00AM.**

Minutes taken and submitted by: Kerri Steinmann