Capitol Volkssport Club Membership Meeting Minutes
9 June 2022
Fellowship Hall
Olympia Lacey Church of God
President Karen Younkins Presiding

- 1. New members were listed by the President and welcomed. Members who were attending introduced themselves.
- 2. Members reported on new and old walks they had taken. Bob Morrison recommended an article in the University of Washington alumni magazine entitled "Why We Walk." He has posted the article on the ESVA Facebook page.
- 3. The minutes of the 12 May 2022 meeting were approved.
- 4. The Treasurer's Financial Statement of 31 May 2022 was approved. Pam Grieg-Davis provided a semi-final report on the financial statistics for Wild and Woodsy in Washington. The profit for the event was \$1,591.86. The online start box walks are not all in, but there are currently 161 online start box walks registered for the event. \$459 in donations were received. She also noted that the Club's annual 990N postcard had been sent to the IRS before May 15.
- 5. The president listed the accomplishments of club members as listed in the <u>Checkpoint</u>:

Ian Page: 950-1600 Events, 9,000 K

Tess Sutton: 850-1050 events, 7,500-9,000 K

Mike Extine: 575 events Steve Strachan: 300 events Sue Strachan: 3.000 K

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Sandy Severtson: 1,250 events

- 6. Bob Morrison reported on nominations for officers to serve for the next two years. The following members have volunteered: Karen Younkins, President; Cheryl and Larry Bush, Co-Vice Presidents; Ginny Miller, Secretary; Pam Greig-Davis, Treasurer; Sheila Morrison, Membership Chair; Bonnie Tucker, ESVA representative. No nominations were received from the floor. The new officers were approved by unanimous acclamation. Their terms will run from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2024.
- 7. Pam Grieg-Davis gave the results of the mailbox challenge books awards. 11 persons finished: Carolyn Warhol (2), Diane Evans, Nancy Wittenburg, Chase Davis, Pam Grieg-Davis, Rosemary Hirsch, Bonnie Tucker (2), Karen Younkins, Julie Heath, Barb Malone and Tom Malone. The prize was a small mailbox filled with treats and a set of address labels. Pam solicited ideas for a new scavenger hunt. Ideas included flags, animals of Chinese astrology, and barnyard or other animals. The membership will vote on the matter at the next meeting. The challenge will start August 1 and run through next July.

8. Pam Grieg-Davis reported on a basket that she is putting together as a club donation to the fund-raising auction at the Northwest Regional Conference in Ashland in mid-June. She solicited ideas for items to be put in the basket. By a vote of the members present, she was authorized to spend up to \$149 to purchase items to put in the basket.

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- 9. The Panorama Activity Fair is on Tuesday, September 8 from 1-3 PM. The president asked for volunteers to man a Capitol Volkssport Club booth. There was discussion of items to have on hand at the fair. Ginny Miller volunteered, as did Sheila Morrison, subject to her calendar.
- 10. Julie Heath reported on the deliberations of a committee meeting held to consider year-round walk sanctioning for next year as well as possible oneday events. It was suggested that Port Gamble (April 1-Sept. 30) and Staircase (June 1-Sept. 30) become seasonal walks. There was discussion of retiring Montesano due to part of the route no longer being available, but Mert Turner has located an alternative routing. All other walks would be renewed for 2023. The committee also discussed reviving group bike rides, including a possible ride on the Willapa Trail. The committee suggested two new traditional walks for 2023: Anderson Island and a new Alderbrook walk. The West Side Nature Trails walk was also discussed as a traditional event, if parking and restrooms can be worked out. Pam Grieg-Davis offered to organize a Northwest Trek walk in late April. CVC now has ownership of that walk. It was tentatively decided to do NW Trek in April, Alderbrook in the summer, and Anderson Island in the early fall. Further consideration of the matter was put off to the next meeting. The president asked members to consider whether they would be willing to be in charge of any of the walks.
- 11. Julie Heath discussed an AVA webinar in which she had participated. Various clubs reported on what they had done to recognize National Walking Week. New challenges that are being proposed include lighthouses, par courses, and the 250th anniversary of the US. Volunteers are needed for the IVV Olympiad.
- 12. The storage locker was broken into recently, but as far as could be determined; nothing was taken. The contents of the locker were moved into a locker across the hall, A56. Julie Heath will provide a new sign-out sheet.
- 13. There was a discussion about reinstating carpooling for out-of-town walks. It was decided to bring back the previous carpool wording in walk advertisements, with the addition of a suggestion that riders make a contribution to the driver's expenses.
- 14. Carolyn and John Warhol were unable to make their scheduled presentation due to illness. In their place, Jim Younkins played a slide show, "Walking with Jim." Jim again solicited presenters for future meetings. Contact Jim if you are interested in making a presentation. Carolyn and John will make their presentation at the July meeting.
- 15. Jim Younkins reported that he was unable to make the club's existing video projector work with his computer. The club's projector is an older model, in good condition, but that appears to have compatibility issues. There was discussion about buying a new used projector, which Jim estimated could be

purchased for \$100-150. There is an existing overhead video projector in the meeting room. Peter and Perki Sweet will find out whether the club is permitted to use this projector, and if so, how to use it. Jim invited other members to play with the existing club projector to see if they could make it work.

- 16. David Black volunteered to help set up the picnic at Priest Point in August.
- 17. Pam Grieg-Davis proposed reviving the 5T walk in Portland, Oregon, via Amtrak. Dick Baker in Portland has agreed to do the organizing on their end as a traveling guided walk. The train fare would be approximately \$48, with each participant making their own reservations. September 15 was decided as a date. The members agreed that the club should officially sponsor the event.
- 18. The president asked that some attendees arrive early for the next meeting to help set up the room.
- 19. Peter Sweet thanked members who had sent him cards during his recent illness.
- 20. Ginny Miller brought two walking sticks to the meeting that a friend of hers is offering for sale at \$10 each.
- 21. The meeting was adjourned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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David R. Black, Secretary CVC