

West Point Parents Club of Washington
Board Meeting
Sunday, January 8, 2012
Telephone Conference Call, Toll Free Call-In
7:30 PM

Members Present: Mary Ellen Mullen, Co-President; Garry Brown, Vice-President; Nancy Lorette, Mentoring; David Graham, Immediate Past Webmaster; Diane Quinn; Melody Stein, Air Force Parents Club; Chris and Linda Richardson, Donna Scheumann, Membership, Tom and Vicki Betterbed, Co-Treasurer; Donna Scheumann, Membership; Curt Powers, Webmaster; Diane Quinn, ASAB Chair (Venue, Stemware) ; Carrie Phelps, 2012 Class Chair, and Vicki Odegaard, Secretary.

Members Absent: Bo Woronowicz; Co-President, Kevin Miller, Merchandise; Curt Powers, Webmaster; Nicolle Armstrong, Communications

Call of Meeting to Order: Co-President, Mary Ellen Mullen called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Secretary--Vicki Odegaard

December 4, 2011 teleconference minutes reviewed and approved as written.

President Business and Announcements--Mary Ellen Mullen and Diane Quinn:

- Diane Quinn updated Board Members and member attendees on 2013 ASAB draft contract and communication with staff of Bellevue Hyatt. Margaret Breen will review contract completed draft and validate contract appropriateness from a legal point of view. Upon validation by Margaret, and final approval confirmation of Board, contract will be finalized with the Hyatt POC, Ms. Emily Witt. One prudent change is the decrease of the food and beverage minimum to \$15,000 in line with USAFAPAWS ASAB 2011. David Graham commented that he was informed that all Service Academies student enrollment numbers are expected to decrease due to economic constraints of the Defense Department. Thus, there is concern that the number of attendees for 2013 ASAB may decrease as well. The initial estimate of 400 attendees may need to be pared down in the current draft Hyatt contract. Diane will discuss this with Emily Witt to determine impact on cost. Audio-visual services will need to be firmed up as planning continues. The Hyatt does have an "in-house" service, PSAV, for a specific cost. This vendor does not include "DJ" services. ASAB 2011 Debrief will include clarification of AV & DJ services.
- Board members agreed that placing ASAB 2013 stemware order at this time would be appropriate, as purchase cost most likely will rise in the years ahead. It was agreed that selection would be without gold rim band, as this adds additional cost. Cavalier Graphix has agreed to guarantee cost at 2011 prices, if order placed now. The Hoopers will receive shipment at their delivery dock to avoid the \$150 charge. There was much discussion about size of goblet globe, i.e., 2011 Air Force glass versus Army ASAB 2010 glasses. Members concurred that the 2010 glass size was preferred. Upcoming Events: Boodle Bash Winter WPPC-WA Meeting, South Bellevue Community Center, February 5, 2012; Sweetheart WPPC-WA Fundraiser, Joesepi's Ristorante, February 12, 2012; AIM, March 25, 2012; WPPC-WA New Parent Seminar Luncheon, Fircrest Country Club, April 29, 2012; Joesepi's Takeover May 6.
- Tom Morgan, President West Point Graduate Society of Washington and Puget Sound has offered to advertise the Joesepi event via their organizational "list serve."
- Libby Powers has agreed to offer her precious metal buying service during the Joesepi event. Ten percent of the total cost of gold and sterling silver purchased will be given to the WPPC-WA to support fundraising.
- Carrie Phelps, mother of Firstie, Charlie Phelps, is currently planning an event for Firstie Parents to celebrate "100th Night." More to follow from Carrie.

- Garry Brown and Mary Ellen Mullen will be finalizing slate of candidates for upcoming officer election.
- Agenda for the February 5, 2012 "Boodle Bash/Gold Party and Election of Officers" discussed. As this date coincides with Super Bowl, it was decided it important to begin meeting early in day and finish by mid-afternoon. This will allow attendees to make it home for game kick-off at 3:30 PM. Meeting will begin at 10AM followed by Potluck Lunch and Election of Officers. Lisa Bachand, Air Force Academy Parent Club of Washington Chairs for 2011 ASAB, will review "lessons learned" from recent event. Parents in attendance will share news regarding their Cadet. Parents to pack "Boodle" for their Cadet.
- If Washington Field Force is in attendance, March 2012 AIM volunteer solicitation list may be circulated

Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 PM. Next Board and membership meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2012 at the South Bellevue Community Center. This event will include a Potluck lunch, the Club's Annual "Boodle Bash"/ Precious Metal Glitterbug Party and election of officers for the next year. Lisa Bachand will present "ASAB 2011 Lessons Learned" to assist WPPC-WA in planning for 2013 ASAB. Community Center address: 14509 SE Newport Way, Bellevue. Time: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki R. Odegaard
Secretary, WPPC-WA