



PNWSC Board Minutes  
4:30 – 6:30 pm @ Pacific NW Salmon Center Property  
February 10, 2010

**Directors Present:**

Fred Barrett	Al Adams (T)	Paul Hirsch (T)	Mike Henderson (T)
Leslie Krueger (T=teleconference)	Sue Patnude	David Peterson	Neil Werner

**Directors Emeritus:** None

**Directors absent:** Larry Peck Bill Portuese

**Staff:** Michelle Hori

**Guests:** Greg Oldham

**Call Meeting to Order: Chair**

The meeting was called to order by Fred Barrett at 4:30 pm.

**Roll Call: Secretary**

The Secretary called the role. We do have a quorum.

**Minutes Approval: Secretary**

*It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of January. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Financial Reports: Treasurer/Staff**

*The January financials were presented along with January transaction detail as requested by the Board at the last meeting. It was moved and seconded to approve the January financial reports. Motion approved unanimously.*

**Public Comment:** Fred introduced Greg Oldham as a potential new Board Member.

**Director's Report - Managing Director**

WDFW Alpaca and Trail Easement Status – We are working with WDFW to develop the Land Use Agreement as required by the grant that funded the purchase and a trails easement to be able to open up the trail connections to the Theler Trail. Greg Shirato of WDFW has also contacted us to work with WDFW toward a way to utilize the property for alpacas. We have a meeting at WDFW Montesano at 3:30 tomorrow to discuss.

HCSEG MOU - We have been developing a document to clarify the relationship between SC and HCSEG. A draft has been distributed to HCSEG Board, input will be collected and then the document will come to SC for review.

**Approval Items – President**

**Financial Policy** - Updated policy with changes was presented. There was further discussion about limits and other issues that we may want to address. *It was moved and seconded to approve the Financial Policy as presented until it can be more deeply reviewed by David Peterson and staff. Motion approved unanimously.*

**New Board Member - Greg Oldham**

*It was moved and seconded to approve Greg Oldham elected to Board seat # 1. Discussion: Greg is the immediate past president of North Mason Chamber and a real estate agent w/ Reid Real Estate. When he became president of NMC he was instrumental in restructuring it with a centered credibility. Fred asked him here because he has broad connections in 2 counties and he has some interesting skills from a networking perspective that could be very valuable to the SC. He is available and ready to dedicate some time to the center. Motion approved unanimously.*

### **Discussion Items – President**

**Grants and grant processes** - Mike Seely, introduced to us by Gail Romero, is coming Saturday for a tour of the property. Sue is working with Mike on grant writing. The Sustainable Path Fdn grant LOI has been submitted. Contact Sue with any questions.

**Public Relations** – On February 19<sup>th</sup> a NFWF writer is coming to do a follow up article to be distributed nationally about the Salmon Center. There is a local farm in Hansville that is a member of Worldwide Opportunities in Organic Farming (WWOOF). Folks go there to learn organic farming techniques and practices. We should look into some high quality organic farm contacts to partner with. SC has submitted a public records request to Mason County and WDFW. If there are events involving the SC out there, please funnel through Fred so our message is consistent. SC received the Chairman’s award at the Chamber Gala, Norm Dicks was in attendance and spoke highly of the SC and HCSEG. John Burgess, Jr. wants to get together to discuss bringing the horsepower behind his company to our assistance. At HCSEG annual meeting it was announced that the barn would be named for John Burgess. Sybil was there and was with the Bickels, Terry might be interested in getting involved with the SC again and we should pursue that.

**New Board Member Search** - Leslie spoke with Cary Bozeman, former mayor of Bremerton, and he is interested in talking about a Board position. Fred is meeting him at the SC Friday at 9am. Other Board Members are more than welcome to join. Brian Petersen set up a meeting with John Poppe of West Sound Utility District who may also be interested in the Board. Hank at Boxlight and Brooke Quigley may be interested as well.

### **Fundraising Committee – President**

Spring Events – The Taste of Hood Canal may have issues due to the sewer project so if that weekend opens up we could plan something to fill that hole. Need to get something in the works for end of May, early June. Everyone please take a moment to think about what a fun money raising event could be. Email your suggestions.

We are getting requests to use the facility; we need to come up with a policy including a fee structure. Staff will put together draft.

Pledges status – Neil is working on contacting those who pledged. Most came through Bill and they will get an update for the next meeting.

### **Communications**

USDA Loan Update – Still in process. We are working on the latest round of questions but per USDA they expect to fund it sometime in April.

Board member Agreements – Staff will distribute via email for signature and return to the SC.

March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2pm – Al and the other SC founders and as many interested folks as they can gather will have a meeting about the SC and its history. They want to talk about our vision for the future and how that connects with the original vision. It’s a chance to get some SC history into the newer folks involved with us. Daytime 2pm for an hour or two Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm  
Submitted by Michelle Hori  
For Paul Hirsch, Secretary