

Icelandic Club of Greater Seattle Board Meeting, May 2, 2015

Attendees: Gisli Olafsson (President), Jan Sigurdson (Membership Secretary), David Johnson (Treasurer), Jon Palmason (Vice President), Pétur Guðmundsson (Trustee), Kathi Olason-Scott (Trustee), Tota Sellars (Trustee), Henry Bjornsson (Trustee), Emily Kristjanson (Trustee), Sibbie Kristjanson (Member)

Meeting called to order by President Gisli Olafsson at 10:45AM at the Nordic Heritage Museum.

Prior Meeting Minutes: Last month's minutes need to reflect that Kathi Olason-Scott was present at that meeting. Jan will fix this and then send minutes to Tad to post on the website.

Membership Report: Jan indicates we now have 173 paid members.

Treasurer's Report: David provided an abbreviated report simply showing account balances. An in-depth quarterly report was presented at the last month's meeting. No questions surfaced about that report.

David will close out the separate bank account that we have containing \$439 in it. There is some uncertainty where these funds originated from but we believe they may be from book sales. Funds will be consolidated in the separate scholarship fund account.

David will continue searching to find Club's missing inventory of "Icelanders on the Pacific Coast" books. Ted Beck paid for these books to be published over 10 years ago with proceeds to benefit the ICGS. Approximately 300 copies were printed. David has seven copies in his possession. He is attempting to reach out to Will Larson to see if he has them.

Icelandic Pönnukökkur Pan Sales: 3 that we received from Gusti as a "trial run" were sold today to Board Members at \$100/ea. Checks made out to ICGS; David will pay Gusti \$50/pan. Jon & Kathi will work together to see if Susan Atwood can bring pans back (to save shipping charges) and decide if someone has ability to coordinate future sales. We have the potential to earn \$50 profit per pan. We can receive these pans on consignment basis and pay for them after they sell.

Upcoming events:

- May 17th Norwegian Independence Day Parade. We have a reserved spot in the parade line-up. Princesses need to be contacted and reminded. It will be held on Sunday the 17th at 4PM. Marchers are invited to just show up.
- May 31st – Mostly Nordic Music Series. This concert and optional dinner combo will feature an Icelandic violinist and piano concert at the Nordic Heritage Museum. We encourage all ICGS members to support this fine event.

- June 17th Icelandic Independence Day Celebration will be held Wednesday, June 17th from 6:30 – 8:30PM at the Nordic Heritage Museum. The Scholarship Committee, led by Emily Kristjanson, is still accepting scholarship applications thru June 1st. David & Emily will work on getting a posting on Facebook to encourage applications. Small program and food arrangements discussed.
- Snorri West 2015 – Four young Icelanders will be here in Seattle July 2nd thru July 9th. They will be staying at Jon & Ann Palmason's home and David will be chauffer and tour guide the week. Others are warmly encouraged to join in activities with them that week, including Mariner's baseball game on Tuesday, July 7th.
- Summer picnic: Someone needs to move forward to secure park. Emily will check to see if Lynndale Park has space available during a Saturday in August.
- Thorrablot 2016: Jon will check with the Swedish Club about availability in February
- INL of NA 96th Annual Convention – David will be attending the convention in Minneapolis next weekend. He is likely the only Seattle Club member going and has authority to vote the entire Seattle Club block of votes. Former Iceland President Vigdís Finnbogadóttir will be keynote speaker. 97th Annual Convention will be in Vancouver in 2016 – we all need to plan to attend.

Meeting adjourned about 12:15PM. Next meeting will be Saturday, June 6, 2015.