



To Support, Preserve and Cultivate Finnish and Finnish-American Culture

Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, June 24, 2017, 3:00 p.m.

Nordia House

8800 SW Oleson Rd, Portland, Oregon, 97223

MINUTES:

Board Members Attending: Greg Jacob, Minna Lindholm, Päivi Panttila Vargas, Dirk Schulbach, Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach, and Ray Wikman

Board Members Absent: Chris Lazarus, Pete Lee, Katariina Lehtonen-Harrskog, Elizabeth Newton, and Jukka Perkiömäki

Guest: Dave Alford

President Greg Jacob brought the meeting to order.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

May 19, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes: No comments were made about the minutes as emailed by Secretary Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach. Due to lack of a quorum, the Board was unable to vote on and approve the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Dirk Schulbach reported net income from the FFCPC Helsinki Cafe booth at the Portland Midsummer Festival was \$382.20. Net income for FFCPC overall as of June 14, 2017 was negative \$941.10. Dirk and the Board discussed the event insurance FFCPC purchased this month.

FFN GRANT PROJECT, PAINTING OF WW2 PLANE:

Greg Jacob thanked Dave Alford for his dedicated work on this project. The painting should be on its way to Finland today. Elizabeth Newton picked it up from Dave. She took it to Vancouver BC from where she and the painting will fly to Finland. Elizabeth may be the one who presents the painting to

the Finnish Ministry of Defence. Regarding print sales to date, board members and two others bought prints at the FFCPC Finland-100 booth at the Portland Midsummer Festival.

FFCPC BOOTHS AT THE PORTLAND MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL, JUNE 10, 2017, OAKS PARK, PORTLAND:

Midsummer Co-Chair Dirk Schulbach reported for FFCPC's Helsinki Cafe: Net income was \$382.20. Dirk worked on the booth and booth-related activities over 40 hours during a few day period. Prior to the event, Dirk organized and bought supplies and food. The day of the event, he brought food, ice chests and supplies; helped set up the booth; grilled hot dogs at the event; and helped take down. After the event, he washed equipment; delivered and organized FFCPC equipment and leftover supplies to the Finnish shed at Fogelbo; and did the accounting and banking for event proceeds. Dirk recommended next year we recruit more volunteers so that too much work does not fall onto just a few people. Following was the menu for the 2017 Helsinki Cafe: Grilled hot dog plate with potato salad or chips, and drink for \$6; herring plate with rye bread, pickled beets, potato salad, and drink; ice cream; and coffee and cold beverages. Four of the six bottles of herring were used at the Cafe. Hot dogs sold out by about 2pm. This year we purchased eight packages of Costco hot dogs, last year we purchased six. Dirk thanked volunteers who worked at the booth, including: Kathleen Coleman, Elizabeth Newton, Greg Jacob, Chris Lazarus, Jukka Perkiömäki, Ray Wikman, Katariina Lehtonen-Harrskog, and Dave Alford.

Midsummer Co-Chair Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach reported on the FFCPC Finland-100 booth: Pirjo worked at the booth most of day. At the booth she placed FFCPC Finland-100 brochures, business cards and membership forms; three types of Finlandia Foundation National brochures; and various Finnish brochures she obtained from the Finnish Consulate in Los Angeles. Saara Matthews of Finn Ware of Astoria donated Finn Ware bags and washclothes to FFCPC to sell at the booth. Many thanks to Saara! Pirjo bought and donated Finnish Fazer individually wrapped chocolates to sell at the booth. And Sini Mullins bought Fazer chocolate bars and Turkinpippuri to sell at the booth. Sini also provided printed information about the Portland Suomi/Finnish School. Pirjo thanked volunteers Päivi Panttila-Vargas and Sini Mullins for taking volunteer shifts. Dave Alford provided a Moomin cutout at the booth, which was a popular photo spot. He also set up the WWII painting, and provided the painting prints which were sold at the booth. During the event, two to three pages of people signed up to be on the FFCPC email list.

FFCPC now owns two blue canopies, which were used at the above booths.

FINNIC FUN RUN/WALK AND PICNIC, AUGUST 26, 2017:

The Finnish American Historical Society of the West (FAHSW) and FFCPC are co-hosting the Finnic fun run/walk and picnic at the Lindgren Cabin at Cullaby Lake on Saturday, August 26. Greg Jacob is organizing the 1.5 mile Fun Run/Walk, which will start at the Lindgren Cabin. He is unable to attend the picnic, which begins at noon. Dirk and Pirjo Schulbach are working with Andrea Tolonen of FAHSW on planning food and supplies for the picnic.

JUSSI MAKKONEN/NAZIG AZEZIAN CONCERT, OCTOBER 17, 2017:

FFCPC and Nordic Northwest are co-sponsoring the Jussi Makkonen/Nazig Azezian Finland-100 *Sibelius Inspiration* concert on Tuesday, October 17, 7:30pm, at Nordia House. Other sponsors are Finlandia Foundation National and the Suomi-Seura/Finland Society. The Board recommended not asking Los Angeles Finnish Consulate Stefan Lindström to speak at the event.

SCANFAIR, DECEMBER 2 AND 3, 2017:

Greg Jacob asked Eva and Seppo Saarinen if they would make salmon soup for the FFPCPC booth. He hasn't heard back yet.

FINLAND-100 GALA EVENT, AT NORDIA HOUSE, DECEMBER 9, 2017:

Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach announced Päivi Panttila Vargas will be the chair for the Dec. 9 event. Päivi has drafted a program and Pirjo has drafted a budget. The Board discussed aspects of the dinner and program such as ticket prices, sponsorships, program and entertainment, but were unable to vote on any aspect due to lack of a quorum. Minna Lindholm will check with Greg Smith as to whether Nordic NW would charge FFPCPC a service charge if Nordic NW handles the ticketing for the event. Dave Alford recommended considering Terhi Miikki-Broersma (who lives in Lyndon, Washington) as a potential performer. Another potential performer is Marja Kaisla. Pirjo stated Finlandia Foundation National (FFN) is providing \$1,000 grants to chapters for Finland-100 projects. Pirjo recommended requesting the FFN Finland-100 grant for this event.

FINLAND-100:

Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach reported she updated the FFPCPC Finland-100 brochure. She had 100 copies made and paid for them, \$278.10. As the printing is costly, she's decided to no longer do this at her own expense. Päivi Panttila Vargas recommended the Board vote at the next meeting on reimbursing Pirjo for the printing costs.

NEXT MEETING:

Greg Jacob will determine the date of next meeting and inform the Board.

Pirjo Kujansuu Schulbach
Secretary, Board of Directors
Finlandia Foundation Columbia-Pacific Chapter

September 2, 2017: June 2017 Meeting Minutes approved by the FFPCPC Board of Directors.

The Portland Chapter of Finlandia Foundation National was an inaugural chapter in 1954. Since 2001, the Finlandia Foundation Columbia-Pacific Chapter has served all of Oregon and Southwestern Washington.

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