

Minutes for Steilacoom Kiwanis Board Meeting December 9, 2025

Members Present: Rick Ash, David Boyd, David Boyd, Dianne Hassan, Patrick Kennedy, Sheila Johns, John Rozsnyai, Patrick Speleers, Nancy Henderson, Harley Moberg, Sheila Moberg, and Mike Johnson. The minutes from the December 2025 Board Meeting will be presented at the January 2026 Board Meeting.

Secretary's Report:

- As of November 30, 2025 we have 156 members
- Minutes for November board meeting approved with a correction (quorum attending).

Treasurer's Report:

- Emailed report for the club shows we have \$25,299.65 in our checking account as of November 30, 2025
- John R presented the report for the foundation showing we have \$28,890.00 in the foundation checking account as of November 30, 2025.
- John R presented the report for the Endowment Fund showing we have \$426,000.00 in our Endowment Fund as of September 30, 2025.
- John R presented a request for \$2,500.00 to purchase 24 ukuleles and equipment for Salter's Point. Board elected to table the request until after Wine Fest.

Committee Reports:

- Service Committee-Sheila Moberg reported that gifts for 55 children from the Child Study treatment Center were purchased
- School Support-Nancy reported that Gary Higgens is very busy and that we need to find a new Kiwanis liaison for the Builder's Club.
- Key Club-No update
- Winefest-As of the board meeting, Sheila and Harley Moberg reported that the total net income is \$32,275.00. We have 118 participants and 107 tickets sold. We have 11 sponsorships worth \$17,500.00 and 6 donations totaling \$5,000.00. Sheila announced that Winefest would be one of Lakewood City Days at the McGavick Center which would give us a discounted price on use of the facility. A suggestion was made to put cards on each table at Winefest about the teachers that receive our mini grants, what the grants are used for and how they help the children.

Other Business

- Patrick Kennedy announced that a fence was built around the pocket park at the corner of 1st St and Montgomery St. with the help of the Boy Scouts.
- Sheila Moberg presented a request from Joyce O'Kane on behalf of the Steilacoom Fireworks Committee for \$150.00 to sponsor one game in the Fireworks Committee BINGO fund raiser. This request is separate from the \$750.00 donation they typically request. It was approved unanimously by board.
- Rick reported that we will no longer be able to use the Town Hall for our board meetings. As of January 2026, we will meet in the SHSD #1 Professional Development Center (where we have our regular weekly meetings).
- Rick requested board approval to put Mike Pires up for a Hixson Award. The chapter would donate \$1,000.00 in his name to Kiwanis' Children's Fund. Unanimously approved by the board.
- It was suggested that we need a publicity chairman or historian. They could use a cloud based system.

- It was also suggested that we send out an email to all the members regarding what the chapter and our affiliated clubs have been doing. The secretary, with the help of other board members and liaisons, will put something together and send it out quarterly.
- Immediately after the regular board meeting a Special Board Meeting was held for Foundation President Mark Pires and Foundation Secretary Mark Hood to brief the Chapter Board on the progress of updating the foundation's bylaws as required by Kiwanis International. They explained the pros and cons of changing the foundation bylaws to the standard Kiwanis International bylaws. They are allowed to operate under their current bylaws until the end of the fiscal year 2026. In the spring they will present the information to the chapter and the chapter will have to vote on retaining the old bylaws or adopting the new ones. They also stated that 4 of the 5 current Foundation Board members will be giving up their seats on the board to pursue other interests. There was some discussion after the Foundation board members departed and Rick stated he would try and get further information from Kiwanis International on the changes.

Regular board meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM and the special board meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM. The next Board Meeting will be on January 13, 2026 at the SHSD #1 Professional Development Center at 5:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by Dianne Hassan, Secretary.