



Minutes for Steilacoom Kiwanis Board Meeting

January 2026

Members Present: Rick Ash, Patrick Kennedy, David Boyd, Dianne Hassan, Sheila Johns, Sarah Rozsnyai, Patrick Speleers, Paul Thumbi, Joanne Dunsmore, Dick Muri, Nancy Henderson, and Mike Johnson. .

Secretary's Report:

- As of January 31, 2026 we have 157 members
- Minutes for December 2025 board meeting approved (quorum attending).
- We averaged 43 members per meeting in January (Live and Zoom attendance)
- Board unanimously accepted membership applications for Kim Raynor and Hilton Lewis

Treasurer's Report:

- Presented by Sarah Rozsnyai
- Club checking account balance as of December 31, 2025 is \$25,137.26
- Foundation checking account balance as of December 31, 2025 is \$54,721.00
- Endowment Fund checking account balance as of December 31, 2025 is \$440,000.00

Committee Reports:

- Program Director: Dick acknowledged that the 2 new members would be initiated in February
- Ad Hoc Committee: David Boyd presented information about converting the pocket park on the corner of 1st Street and Montgomery into a Kiwanis Park. After talking with town officials, the Public Services Division is not willing to add this to their list of responsibilities due to staffing and fiscal reductions. Kiwanis could petition the area to be designated as a park but the Kiwanis Club would be responsible of all maintenance of the space. Discussion included having members volunteer to do the landscaping, hiring a lawn service to maintain the spot, how to get water to the site and the potential costs, maybe adding a swing or gazebo and benches, and who would assume liability. The discussion will resume at the next board meeting.
- WineFest: As January 13th we have:
 - 259 Tickets Sold
 - \$28,000.00 in sponsorships
 - \$6,138.50 in donations
 - \$2,000.00 in pending donations/sponsorships
 - 8 – 10 live auction items
 - Approximately 75 silent auction items
 - 4 participating wineries

Paul Stabber will be our host for the evening and has donated \$200.00 to our club. The military will not be able to help us this year but members of the Steilacoom HS Key Club and the Steilacoom HS Honor Society have volunteered to help.

- Key Club: Nancy requested \$300.00 to help the president of the Franklin Pierce Key Club to attend the district convention in Portland. The request was approved with the funds to be sent from the club and not the foundation. This is a onetime only approval and does not set a president (any future requests of this type would be considered on a case by case basis). Also, Mikela from the Steilacoom HS Key

Club is being encouraged to run for a board position in Key Club which could result in possible expense to the club.

Other Business:

- Discussion continued on the adoption of Kiwanis bylaws for the Foundation. If the foundation breaks way from Kiwanis, Kiwanis International could try and take the funds since they were earned under their identity and would consider our foundation dissolved. Rick is looking for volunteers for the new Foundation board (we have at least 4 members resigning at the end of the fiscal year). Discussion will resume at the next board meeting.
- We need to do our due diligence with anyone that works with the children in our community including proper training and possible back ground checks.
- David presented information about the Kiwanis Youth Law Enforcement Camp. This camp “provides a hands-on opportunity for youth to experience the field of law enforcement”. The camp is located at the Washington State Patrol Academy in Shelton. The camp dates are July 19th through July 25th. The cost of the camp is a \$50.00 application fee paid by the applicant and a commitment of \$650.00 for the Kiwanis Club that supports the applicant. Nancy agreed to present this information to Key Clubs and the district Lieutenant Governors.

The next Board Meeting will be on February 10, 2026 at the SHSD #1 Professional Development Center at 5:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by Dianne Hassan, Secretary.