SCW Zymurgy Club General Meeting Wednesday, January 8, 2014 Amended and Approved Jan. 14, 2014 Zymurgy Room~Activities Center RH Johnson Rec Center

Called to Order: Gary Dawson called the meeting to order at 7:05. 33 members were present. A quorum was established. Gary welcomed everyone to the first Z club meeting of 2014. He stated that we have a building plan to share and a lay out and that we are working on with the Rec Center to move forward in our plans.

Membership: Crystal Tavares reported that we have 69 paid members to date. We have 30 new members. She stated that she set out membership forms on all the tables. Renewals need to be paid as soon as possible. She asked that members please fill out the forms and get their \$20 per person 2014 dues to her.

Treasurer Report (See Report on file) Nancy Pines reported:

December 31, 2013 Ending Cash Balance: \$9,870.55.

Beginning Cash Balance in December 2013 was \$10,807.24

Revenues for December, 2013 were \$1,094.

Disbursements for December, 2013 were \$2031.19

Increase/decrease in Cash for December 2013 was -\$936.69

Nancy told membership that she is setting up a reserve fund for the club and that the necessary documents for IRS non profit status have been mailed along with the \$850 fee. She reported that it is possible that we may get some of the fee back. Earl from the Rec Center is helping Nancy with this task.

Nancy also stated that she is working on a budget and getting the club financially organized.

Fund Raising: (See Report on file) Sharon Weinblatt

Sharon reported that we have collected \$845 in Raffle ticket sales to date. This is over 50% of our goal. The drawing is Feb 21, she has tickets available for those who would like to help sell. The prizes have all been purchased. The sponsor for the bottles of wine to fill the cooler was not secured. Donations of 18 bottles of quality wine are needed. Several members raised their hands to donate bottles. Sharon asked that those members see her after the meeting.

Sharon reviewed some upcoming fund raising events: a Chili cook-off is being planned for March at MusZart. Chili cookers are needed. Randy Pace volunteered to cook chili. Tasting kits will be sold and participants can vote for their favorite Chili.

Sharon said a wine and food pairing class was being organized also.

On Jan 15, a Class on Wine Tasting and Food Pairing at \$5 per person will be held. There is room for 5 more.

She said that the Jan 18 Sausage making class still has room for more attendees. That class is \$15 per person.

On Feb 8th Kenny will teach a Crème Brulee making class from 1 to 4 in the afternoon.

Sharon said the Cruise prices have come down and for those who have already booked they will be eligible for the lower cost. Kenny reported that he has received free upgrades on his booking. Twenty booking have been made to date. The club will earn \$1500 if the 20 people who signed up go on the Cruise. Five more bookings are needed to secure the motor coach transportation.

Sharon reported that a sale requiring only a \$100 deposit per person is Jan 15-22. Also there is a special form for those who served in the military qualifying them for ship board credit, their DD214 is required.

Nancy Pines commented that the Cruise is a great fund raising opportunity. She suggested that we all get the word out about the Cruise even if we cannot go, we should talk with our friends.

Survey Results: Sharon Weinblatt (see report on file)

Survey was on the club website, 31 members out of entire membership completed the survey. Sharon reviewed total responses to all questions.

Gary encouraged all present who did not take the survey to voice their opinion on how they see the use of the club space. Several members commented and a lively discussion took place. Many expressed the desire for a lounge type setting in our room where wine or beer could be enjoyed with friends. They also said music and TV's would be nice. Some wanted classes and suggested the making of other beverages like limoncello be made as well. Some were concerned about the room design plans.

Gary asked Randy to explain how the Room Design had evolved to the current Plan.

Randy explained the involvement of the Rec Center architect had brought about the new plan change that was received today.

A discussion took place. Concerns regarding placement of cabinets, counters and sink were voiced, as well as a strong concern over the replacement of the existing flooring. Randy explained that many factors needed to be taken into consideration: plumbing, electrical, utilities, safety issues, workable areas etc, as well as Rec Center rules and restrictions. It was agreed that the Building Committee would meet and consider the concerns of the membership and see how they can be considered in the plan.

Events: Donna Whiteside

Donna reviewed January events: Jan 11 Beer tasting. 11 signed up, room for 20. It's a Pale Ale testing with education at \$10 per person.

On Saturday, a Beginning Brewing Class is scheduled at \$7.50 per person Class has room for 5 or 6 more.

Jan 17 is MusZart Sparkle and Jan 18 Sausage making class still some room for more. Jan 25 is Wine tasting and education, State of Washington wines 19 signed up, room for 24. Cost is \$10 per person.

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Donna also reported that in February a Crème Burlee class will be scheduled.

Donna stated that hosts are needed for future wine and beer tastings. These can be held in the club. Donna told the membership that the club room was reserved every Saturday (from 5-9pm) and could be reserved for other dates.

Donna also stated that coordinators were needed for the April Club picnic. Joe Burke volunteered to help.

Sharon Weinblatt encouraged members to sign up for the Relay for Life Feb 23.

Donna Whiteside reported that the Souper Bowl Supper on Jan 26, raising money for the Community Fund, is sold out. 200 tickets were sold. She said that donations for the Community Fund could still be given.

Barry Pines stated that he would like to hold a Jello Shooters Making class in the club room. He needs a hot plate.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sheri Houck, Secretary