

Oregon Society of Enrolled Agents General Membership Annual Meeting Wednesday, May 21, 2003

President Mary Lunceford called the annual meeting to order at 3:15 pm. A quorum was present. The officers and directors introduced themselves.

Mary introduced our guest David Hatt, NAEA Director, who gave us an update on what's going on with national. He reviewed NAEA's mission statement changes. He reported that National is in the process of budgeting three months at a time. David reported that the locations for the upcoming National Conventions are 2003 Kansas City; 2004 New York City.

The minutes from the prior meeting were read. Michael Addington moved and Barbara Craven seconded that the minutes be approved as read. Motion passed.

Phyllis reviewed a written **Treasurer's** report; Current balances are as follows: Checking Account \$11644.95 CD #1 \$4358.33; CD#2 \$4321.47; Lou Scafidi Education Fund savings \$3481.36; Savings Account \$6166.48; Total \$29972.59. There are bills yet to be paid before our fiscal year end. A final report will be available at the July/03 Board Meeting.

Susan Bladorn reviewed a **Awards/Scholarship & Historian Committee** reports. The Founders and Presidents Awards recipients have been chosen. Recognition for those awards will be given at the Banquet. She announced that in July/03 she will join the Awards/Scholarship Committee as a member and Bev Stone will become Committee Chair. Susan will continue as the Historian Committee Chair.

Peter Mar gave a **Communications Committee** report. He reminded everyone to visit our new website at www.orsea.org. He invited everyone to the July 30, 2003 Strategic Planning meeting and encouraged us to use the "Goal/Task Accomplishment" worksheet that he had given out. He also suggested that everyone make sure that NAEA has your correct e-mail address and to contact them if they do not.

Phyllis gave a **2003 Convention Committee** report. Barb Craven & Michael Addington gave a **2004 Convention Committee** report. Michael is making arrangements with the Shilo Inn. Michael also gave a **Public Relations Committee** report suggesting everyone use the media releases that he has been sending.

Susie Gregory gave an **Education committee** report. She gave a review of the education at the seminar and future plans. She requested any input from the membership.

Mary Lunceford gave a **Membership Committee** report. Committee Chair Barry Schweigert was unable to attend the seminar due to a death in his family. Of a total of 150 OrSEA Members; 42 are attending the seminar.

No **Ethics** issues had been reported to the Board for 2002-03.

Marv Carlson gave a **Government Relations Committee** report. The IRS Practitioner Forum will be held Oct 24, 2003 at the Holiday Inn in Wilsonville. Mar also gave an **ODR Liaison** report and a **Tax Board Liaison** report.

Tony Bardi gave a **By Laws Committee** report. No changes were needed to them.

Tony also gave a **Nominating Committee** report. He requested a motion from the floor to allow for the waiver of the 90 day notice rule required by the By Laws. Emmy Bratton moved and Michael Addington seconded to waive the 90 day notice rule. The motion passed. Tony reviewed the Nominating Committee's slate of officers: President Peter Mar; Vice President Michael Addington; Treasurer Phyllis Wilson; Secretary Ardee Baxter; North Director Sharon Falardeau; Central Director Jayne Williams; Director At Large Susie Gregory. Those Directors continuing in their second year of two-year terms are: North Director Marv Carlson; Central Director Barbara Craven; and South Director June Brock.

Susan Bladorn moved that the nominations be closed. Emmy Bratton seconded the motion. Motion passed. Tony Bardi proposed that the slate of officers be elected in one vote. Barbara Craven seconded. All were in favor and the 2003-94 Officers and Board of Directors were unanimously elected. Mary recognized Tony Bardi, Past President, and thanked him for his work over the past 10 years.

Old Business: Jayne Williams and Marv Carlson gave a report on the recent legislation regarding HB3301. They will keep attending the meetings and inform the membership on changes.

New Business: The 2003 Lou Scafidi NTPI Scholarship was awarded to Ferol Blaney of Grants Pass. She had also applied for a scholarship with National/NAEA and was also awarded that scholarship. She requested that the funds be made available for travel costs. That request was rejected. Emmy Bratton made a motion that the funds could be postponed and used next year for Level II. Sharon Falardeau seconded the motion. Motion passed. Scholarships were then discussed. Sharon Falardeau suggested that possibly a scholarship to go to the National Convention might be a good idea.

Susan Bladorn made a motion that we do a full refund to Barry Schweigert, since he had paid to attend and had the tragedy. Phyllis Wilson seconded. The membership agreed and the motion passed. A card will be purchased for Barry and the membership will be able to sign.

The membership discussed the Board's approval of funding some costs for four officers/members to attend the National convention. The dates are 8/21-26/03 in Kansas City, MO. D Sue Church volunteered to be one of those people.

Tony Bardi moved and Emmy Bratton seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Bladorn, Secretary