

July 25, 2020

ZOOM Meeting

The Clackamas County Pomona #1 ZOOM Meeting was held on Sat., July 25, 2020 at 2pm.

Roll call found the following officers absent:

Overseer, Jeanie Force; Steward, Don Kingsborough; L.A.S., Jessie Jo Guttridge; Pomona, Georgene Barragan; Flora, Jan Oleson; Executive Committee Member, Annette Naylor; and Musician, Coralynn Congon.

16 members were in attendance via ZOOM with 8 Granges represented.

Minutes from the April 25, 2020 Pomona meeting were approved as read.

Secretary, Sandi Ludi read the July 13, 2020 Clackamas Pomona Executive Committee Meeting minutes. Motion made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes as read.

The 5th Degree Conferral is slated to be held on Sat., September 26, 2020 at Molalla Grange.

STANDING COMMITTEES

GWA

Leila Dumolt reported that Registration and GWA contests that have donated items will be registered on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2020 from 1pm – 4pm at the State Grange Session in Klamath Falls, Or. Items such as Pillowcases for our Troops, Preemie Afghans and Hats, Dog and Cat Baskets, Dementia Fidget Sleeves and Covid-19 Masks specifically. No other contests. She reminded us to wear masks when out in public, social distance and stay safe!

Suzy Ramm announced that the session- if it takes place- will be done hybrid style(In person and by Zoom). Pre-registration is required as there will not be onsite registration this year.

LEGISLATIVE

Dan Keely reported that Oregon's State of Emergency regarding Covid-19 will be for another 60 days which will be until September 4. Mask mandate is in effect. The legislative "Emergency Board" convened on July 14 to allocate another \$200 million to support individuals, businesses, and cultural organizations hit by the economic effects of the pandemic. The Ways and Means Co-Chairs released a framework of cuts and rebalances to address the State's revenue short-fall for the remainder of the 2019-20 biennium. If you are interested in signing the Initiative Petition for Bill 57 it isn't too late but you should do it soon. This bill takes redistricting out of the hands of the legislature and Secretary of State's Office. Dan also included in his report a list of Special Session Bills of Interest for 2020. They will be included in the Pomona Secretary's Binder for future reference.

AGRICULTURE

No report.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

No report.

YOUTH

Joyce Parker reported that she (Dist. 4 Youth Chairman) and Oregon State Grange Youth Director, Connie Suing held the Goodie Basket Raffle Drawing at the Oregon State Grange Headquarters building on June 24, 2020 at 2pm. 2,300 tickets were sold at \$1.00 each. These funds will roll over until next year. Sue and Don Sether from Molalla Grange won a basket!

MEMBERSHIP

Ed Luttrell sent out an email to Subordinate Masters asking them how their Grange was doing in general. He went on to read what a few Granges responded with. The challenge will be for each Grange to break the habit of not attending meetings in person.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

SCHOLARSHIP

Jan Oleson reported to our Worthy Master that there are no applications at this time.

FFA

Don Sether reported that Molalla FFA'S Ag Communications Team has won the State Championship. Students competed in the contest entirely during quarantine. This years' contest consisted of creating a media plan on a commodity of the students choice. Molalla's students chose the topic on "Mending the Misconceptions of Hemp in Oregon." Marijuana contains 15-50% of the hallucinogenic drug, hemp on the other hand contains less than the .3% and full of (CBD) the oil of which has been claimed to have healing properties. Hemp can also make rope, paper, clothing, lotions, milk, flour and more. For the contest Molalla's students also took a journalism knowledge test, an APA editing test and practicums based on a press conference.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Kim Schetting reported that she has each committee members reports. She will be compiling them but had some questions as to how the Pomona Grange wanted them compiled? Brother Ed Luttrell replied to her request.

AG TOUR

Joyce Parker suggested that the Ag Tour be pushed back until 2022.

SUBORDINATE GRANGE REPORTS

ABERNETHY

No report.

BORING-DAMASCUS

Held a May Zoom meeting and in person meetings in June and July (socially distanced). Members are working on remodeling the kitchen area.

BEAVERCREEK

Held a ZOOM meeting in May. Face to face meetings for June and July with social distancing.

CLARKES

Held a May Zoom meeting. June and July were hybrid meetings (Zoom and in person). Due to more surgeries being given- the Home Health equipment is being used a lot more. They started back to the Veteran's Village in June by taking boxed meals to them. They are at full capacity with 19 Veterans. Meals are very much appreciated.

EAGLE CREEK

Held in person meetings with social distancing in June and July. No rentals. Outdoor Flea Market is helping to pay for their furnace. Master, Cody Dunsmuir is relocating to Tennessee for his job. Their new Master is Dan Le Brun. Brother Cody will be missed.

FROGPOND

Members have been meeting online. No renters due to Covid-19. Donated items to Goodwill and continue to collect other items.

GARFIELD

No report.

HARDING

They have not held any meetings since February. Having a hard time getting members to buy into Zoom meetings. Cat Thomas is planning on sending a note to members reminding them of their meeting in August. Gleaners are using the hall still.

MAPLEWOOD

They are meeting outside their hall when the weather is nice. Doing projects around the hall as well.

MILWAUKIE

Members had a Zoom meeting earlier today. Need new members. Grange hall keys are no where to be found so they are in the process of getting new ones made. New rental contracts have been made. They are doing projects around the hall and landscaping. Planning on having a Project quarterly.

MOLALLA

May and June meetings were held via Zoom. They met at the hall in June socially distanced. Gleaners are still using the hall safely. A resolution supporting the Molalla Police Dept., Clackamas County Sheriff Dept. and the Oregon State Police in opposition to defunding the police.

REDLAND

No report.

SPRINGWATER

Grange won the Oregon State Grange Community Service Award. They are sending the Community Service Report and Booklet to the National Grange. Members have been meeting via Zoom for their meetings. Cancelled May and June Breakfasts. Purchased 50 Goodie Basket Raffle tickets. Cancelled Strawberry Social but sold strawberries by the flat. Made about \$250.00. Parking strip has been repaired and reseeded. Outhouse has a new tank installed under it. They are starting a new Community Service Project. It is repairing the shelter building at the Springwater Cemetary. They celebrated Ruth Newman's 99th birthday with a Drive By and lots of balloons!

SUNNYSIDE

Zoom meetings held for May, June and July. Supported the Youth Goodie Basket Raffle. 3 new security cameras are being installed soon. The Jazzercise group gave a proposal as to how they are going to proceed with classes safely. A soft opening will start on Sun., July 19 with only a couple classes a day to start with. Held a Work Day at the Grange. Pulling weeds around the hall and painting areas inside the hall. Planning to apply for a Grant to help defray the cost of painting the outside of the hall. They have secured 3 bids.

THE SANDY

The Grange has a hole in the hall that needs fixing. Members have not met since May as they are having a hard time getting a quorum.

WARNER

No report.

COMMUNICATIONS

Ed Luttrell received a letter regarding an update on the Oregon State Grange Session plans. He also received a letter stating that the Grant that the Clackamas Pomona Grange applied for was denied as the Grant was meant for Subordinate Granges only.

Letter from the Secretary of States Office notifying us that the Incorporation Fee is due for \$50.00.

Check for \$569.00 to cover the fees for the Candidate Forum that was held remotely.

Letters from the Oregon State Grange in regards to:

Goodie Basket Raffle Information.
Information regarding the State Grange Session, etc.
Instructions for filing the 990e postcard which is due Sept. 15.

Thank you card from Gail and Roger Wilson for funds sent to them as they lost their home to flooding.

Notification from Eagle Creek Grange stating their new Master is (Dan Le Brun) and Secretary (Barbara Hicks). Current Master is moving out of state.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balances as of June 30, 2020

Balance in the checking account: \$ 1, 226.23

Balance in the savings account: \$ 6,010.63

CBM Scholarship fund: \$ 2, 035.88

Youth fund: \$716.88

Junior fund: \$454.84

CBMS Savings invested @ OSG \$13,935.76

Total Assets: \$30,016.86

Motion made and seconded to pay the bills and adopt the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Insurance

Joyce Parker reported that the current Insurance Company that we have (Liberty Mutual) rewrote the policy that goes from May 2020 to May 2021 for \$803.00. It is very comparable to other quotes she received. The date for renewal is before the Clackamas County Fair in August and will cover the Cookie Booth as members requested.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made, seconded and carried that the Clackamas County Pomona Grange allot up to \$500.00 to purchase an animal at the Clackamas County Junior Livestock Virtual Auction on Sat., August 22, 2020. The animal will be given back to the owner. Joyce Parker and Don Sether will make sure that members are in the loop when the auction starts.

RESOLUTIONS

150th Anniversary of the Oregon State Grange

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt this resolution.

Landscaping at the Oregon State Grange Headquarters

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt this resolution.

Pomona Grange Recognition Programs and Awards

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt this resolution.

Change in Resolution Submission for State Convention Deadline

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt this resolution.

LECTURER'S PROGRAM

Lecturer, Kim Schettig read some fun Animal Facts!

She also told a joke.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Christy Dumolt suggested having a couple Granges set up to allow Grangers to view the Oregon State Grange Session via ZOOM using practical social distancing.

Suzy Ramm suggested making motel reservations directly via phone for State Grange Session.

Joan Mize from Warner Grange was in the hospital for 3 months. Our Worthy Chaplain, Barbara Brockway will send her a card from our Pomona Grange.

Grange closed in due Zoom form at 4:02pm.

Fraternally submitted,

Sandi Ludi

Clackamas Pomona Secretary