

Annual Meeting - 1999
Portland, Oregon
March 16, 1999

The meeting was held in the coffee shop at the Double Tree Hotel in Portland, Oregon. We were supposed to meet in the "Quiet Bar" down the hall, but a scheduling problem changed that.

Call to Order: Chairman/President Denny DeMeyer called the meeting to order at 7: 15 AM. Those present were John Thalacker, Howard S. Richardson, Dick Sterling, Arnie Kegel, Tim Kent, Denny DeMeyer, David Hills, Ken Gregory, and Walt Dale.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the 1998 annual meeting in Everett were not available at this meeting. The secretary regrets that he left them in Tumwater on his desk. The apology was accepted from the group, and the secretary promised to mail them to everyone.

1998 Treasurer's Report: The annual report was left in Tumwater with the minutes. It too will be mailed to all the members.

Old Business:

1 Installation of Brass Plaque No 3 in Vancouver, (Tim Kent): Tim said that a recent conversation with a City Council person who has an interest in history has solved the deadlock with the city Parks Department. The location of the plaque is tentatively set for city right-of-way, and should be installed this Spring.

2. Exhibit of surveyor's that have "passed on", (Ken Frazier): This was Ken's idea of having a book or other memory tribute to the deceased surveyors of Washington State. Since Ken missed the meeting, no action was taken.

3. Installation of Brass Plaque at Point Roberts and City of Seattle (Ken Gregory): The first location is on the Canada/US Border at Monument O. The second location is at the benchmark that was used for the City of Seattle Datum. It was decided that Denny would follow up on Point Roberts, and Ken Gregory will arrange for the Seattle monument.

4 Purchase and distribution of Jerry Olson's book on David C. Clarke: Dick Sterling volunteered to distribute the books. The treasurer will send a check for the four books as approved last year. The books will be sent to Dick and he will get them distributed.

5 Stamping of Plaques on Sucia Island set in 1996: Discussion of using GPS to get positions on the monuments. Denny will coordinate the work.

6. Informational Kiosk on Sucia Island: Denny will follow up with State Parks and may develop a pamphlet instead of constructing a Kiosk.

New Business

1 Elections of Officers from the floor: Despite his pleading for someone else to step forward, Denny was reelected Chairman/President. He did request that all the members consider finding someone else to take on the job next year. So when you come to the convention in Ocean Shores next year, consider putting your hat in the ring.

As no one else stepped forward that was interested in the job of Secretary/Treasurer, your humble scribe was elected for another year.

2 Appointment/volunteers of chairmen of various committees: Those present just wanted continue doing the same things. President DeMeyer asked that a list of committees be published for review by the members so that they can volunteer. Please look over the list and make your choice.

Research, Indexing, GLO Surveys, Museum Displays, Cataloging, Antique Equipment, Postal & Commemorative, Special Projects.

3 Speaker/Topics and activities for 2000 LSAW Convention: Dick Sterling has contacted potential speakers for the meeting. Also, Tim Kent volunteered to give a talk on the first road in the Oregon Territory.

4. Purchase of a Display: Denny indicated that he found an inexpensive display board, and it seems to work. No further action is needed.

5 New member certificates: Howard Richardson (Olson Engineering) volunteered to take care of getting certificates to all new members.

6. Potential New Projects: A discussion of potential projects;

- . Monument corners on the Willamette Meridian and Puget Sound Guide Meridian.
- . Put one of our plaques at the grave site of GLO Surveyor Thomas A. Frost in Tumwater's Union Cemetery.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 AM as promised by President DeMeyer.

Respectively submitted

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Secretary/Treasurer