**WSCMS**

**Meeting Minutes**

**September 10, 2016**

A Quorum was established and all the Board Members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 3:17pm

**Present:** Nina Garcia,Robyn Miller, Tracey Martin, Norman English,Margaret

English, Barbara Gard, Tim McLaren, Penny McLaren, Pete Woodall,

Karen Woodall

**Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. There were no changes, deletions or additions. Tim moved that the minutes be approved as written, Tracey seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Financial Report:**

The Financial Report was submitted to the State of Idaho on-line and was accepted. A bank account was opened at the US Bank as a non-profit organization with no bank fees. There are three (3) signers on the account.

Balance: $66.00

Discussion regarding Tom Martin as Treasurer. Barbara moved that Tom Martin be confirmed as Treasurer until the next term. Tim seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion regarding any anticipated expenses. There were none identified at this time. There will be funds coming from the raffles at the Boise Highland Games.

**Dues:**

Barbara confirmed that there were no dues for 2016 and as of January 2017 establish the annual dues at $10.00 per member and family. Robyn seconded and the confirmation was unanimously approved.

**Membership:**

We have twenty-two (22) official members. Norm has revised the member application form to reflect the dues and that they are to be sent to Treasurer. The dues notice will go out in December.

Norm has developed a Welcome Letter to new members giving information on WSCMC and the history of the Clan. Norm has assigned a number to each member as a tracking tool.

Barbara discussed sending a letter thanking people who have dropped by the tent and left their contact information. Norm will look into doing that.

Norm has developed a flyer for handling out at the various games. The flyer contains information on the WSCMS, history of the Clan, the meaning of the white cockade and laurel, notable McLaren’s and contact information.

**Raffle:**

There have only been three (3) events for the opportunity to sell tickets for the Dulcimer. It is estimated that we have about 80 tickets sold and anticipating more tickets to be sold at the Boise games. There was discussion regarding raffle prizes that would appeal to a larger group of people.

**Newsletter:**

Discussion about possible additions to the newsletter included personal profiles of the members, so they could become more acquainted. There was discussion regarding the size of the newsletter and some of the difficulties with the program being used to produce the newsletter. Penny agreed to work with Norm on the program as she has experience with doing robust newsletters. Tim has offered to help with photographs for the newsletter that make them easier to download and not use as much memory.

KUDOS and a big THANK YOU to Norm for all his work.

**Website Report:**

Tracey is the webmistress and stated the website is up and running for now on a free host site but that may change in the future. There is now a Facebook page. Nina and Tracey are the ones to approve people wanting to be on the Facebook page.

KUDOS and a big THANK YOU to Tracey for all her work.

**Building the Membership/Advertising:**

Discussion: We now have a website ad Facebook page. Tim will try and contact the man who publishes a yearly Scottish book with all the clans, their contact information, events and all things Scottish. We would like our information included. Nina will check if there is something similar in Idaho.

Norm has made business cards for Nina, Barbara and himself for distribution. He also made copies of the By-Laws.

**Potential 2017 Scottish events:**

Discussion: Particular games will not be assigned, just asking members to do what each person is able to do.

**2017 Annual Meeting Site/Date:**

Discussion: To alternate the meeting for the time being between Kelso, Washington and Boise Idaho. Nina discussed formalizing the AGM that is more conducive to conducting meetings rather than in the tent at the games. Barbara moved that the meeting alternate and Pete seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**2017 AGM (Annual General Meeting) to be held in Boise, Idaho**

**Unfinished Business:**

Penny will be doing McLaren athletes interviews for articles in the newsletter.

**New Business:**  None

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 4:12pm

Karen Woodall

Recording Secretary