

PNBA Board of Directors – Minutes

August 20, 2011

PNBA Headquarters, Edmonds, WA

Attendees: Jenny, Jonathan Bannister, Hans Andersen, Suzanne Pardee, Danielle Ippolito, Wendy Bannister
Jeff Pettross and Frederick Fourie provided proxy votes.

Meeting called to order by JB

Motion to approve of minutes from previous meeting

Moved by SP

Second by JP

Approval: unanimous

Treasurer's report had been sent by email prior to the meeting.

- A \$200 donation by Laurasian to the PNBA for support of the Shoreline festival expenses is pending.

Executive Director's report.

- The Shoreline Arts festival was successful and a wonderful opportunity to show our Japanese arts collection.
- The display in the Hyogo gallery at Kodomo no Hi was also successful.
- Aki Matsuri will be the next event.

Issues before the Board

- Motion to set up the PNBA booth at Aki Matsuri
 - o Marketing and printing will cost ~\$335 to print the newsletter, brochures and business cards.
 - o JB will set up the booth Friday night before going to Japan
 - o We will support the booth Saturday only.
 - o Moved by SP
 - o Second by HA
 - o Approval: unanimous
- Motion to approve a grant to the Seattle Urasenke Foundation
 - o The Seattle branch of the Urasenke foundation has submitted a grant application to support their classes at the University of Washington. The main school in Japan has recently terminated support for branches outside of Japan, and they are looking for funding.
 - o Moved: WB
 - o Second: SP
 - o Discussion:
SP commented that it's a worthy effort
WB commented that this is a good marketing opportunity to set precedence for our grant giving.
It was suggested that we strike the wording "for Fall quarter" from the grant award to make it less specific.
 - o Approval: unanimous
 - o JB will write the letter and press release (DI managed this).
 - o JP to issue a check for the grant.
- Motion to award a letter of commendation to the Old Village Pub
 - o Dr. Bannister had stopped in after the Kobe memorial in his kimono, and had encouraged the patrons to donate in support of the rescue and cleanup operation. He collected several hundred dollars for Japan relief.
 - o Propose to spend \$50 to create a framed certificate for the pub.
 - o Moved: WB
 - o Second: SP
 - o Discussion
This is a good opportunity for a press release
 - o Approval: unanimous
- Motion to grant Dr. Bannister an additional \$300 for travel to Japan
 - o The exchange rate has continued to decline, and he is concerned about having enough funds for his trip to train and test for godan rank in Iaido.
 - o Moved: JP
 - o Second: SP
 - o Approval: unanimous
- Additional discussion
 - o The ice cream social for kids' class didn't happen before the class disbanded.
 - o We won't have an auction this year for fund raising
 - o Jenny has moved to the membership committee.
- Motion to adjourn
 - o Moved: SP
 - o Second: HA

Approval: unanimous

