

# MINUTES

## Families with Children from China, Oregon SW Washington Chapter

Monday, July 09, 2007

6:30 – 8:30 P.M.

Meeting called by Betsy Haindl

**Board Members Present** Betsy Haindl, President; Paul Bollinger, Vice President; Myde Boles, Secretary  
At Large: Kathy Collins, Holly Odil

**Board Members Absent** Joanna Agee, Treasurer; At Large: Judy Anderson, Matt Carlson, Jill Chen,

Item	Owner
Meeting called to order at 6:45. Quorum verified. Agenda reviewed and adopted.	Betsy
Motion to approve June 2007 Minutes – Paul. Second – Kathy/Holly. Approved.	Betsy
Treasurers report. No activity. Joanna making progress on identifying deposits. Joanna, Paul, and Betsy will meet to develop budget and will send to Board prior to August meeting.	Betsy
Membership report As of June 30, 2007: 347 members. Last year 6/30/06 there were 313 members. An increase of 11% over last year.  Cheryl and Betsy have reviewed the new, revised membership application. Board reviewed the final draft of the new application. All approved. One suggested addition: add "Total" to form. Holly will ask the Charitable Giving Committee (CGC) review the final draft.	Betsy
Survey The URL link to the survey on the membership application cover letter is too long. Paul will investigate substituting with a small URL.  Need to put a "teaser" on "What's New" to publicize the survey.  Also add a notice at the beginning of the survey about not being able to repeat the survey, even if it wasn't completed and the person wants to return to do again.  Survey Monkey costs \$20/month. The deadline for the survey is November 1, 2007, which is tied to the deadline for sending membership application in time to be in the directory. This will also be added to the cover letter.	Myde, Paul
Dragon Boat Team The cost for Rose Festival dragon boat team is \$1,300 and the cost for sport dragon boat team (less competitive) is \$650. Registration for sport league is September of each year. Board agreed that FCC should consider the non-competitive league at this time. Discussion ensued about sponsoring a team instead of having one. We will	Kathryn

determine interest level from response to the upcoming article in the Newsletter and the member survey. If there is interest in having a team, we could target September 2008.

Liaison Reports	All
Charitable giving – Holly	
Holly emailed Sarah Pons to schedule the meeting to discuss spending plan and itemized budget, fundraising goal(s) for upcoming year, and amount needed in budget for dance troupe.	
Culture/outreach/Education – Jill, Matt, Holly, Kathryn	
Kathy led discussion on the possibility of FCC holding “local” neighborhood events. There was some board support for this approach, but discussion also pointed out the difficulty of volunteer availability to coordinate or lead neighborhood events.	
Discussion about possible upcoming events: Asian gardening at PCCG with garden tour, Halloween trick or treating, and “Boo Bash” to be held on different night than Halloween.	
Community building	
China Sons – Holly	
Next event rescheduled for the end of August at Bethany Fountain.	
Newsletter – Betsy	
Next edition expected in August. After next edition, there will be a hiatus until we find a new newsletter editor.	
Review past and upcoming events	Betsy
Jane Brown	
30 people attended; a lot of Holt agency families in attendance. Jane Brown’s presentations are viewed by some as controversial, although she usually draws a good crowd.	
Mid Autumn Festival (9/22/07)	
Will take place at Cook Park. Lion Dancers will be asked to perform.	
CNY select date	
No date selected yet. Food/catering is at issue. Need to investigate the possibility of a “festival venue” with outside caterers.	
Neighborhood gatherings	
See culture/outreach/education above.	
New Business	All
Open	
No discussion	
Next meeting	
Scheduled for August 13 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Shanghai Noble.	
Adjournment 8:35.	Betsy