Board Members present: Allison Warner (President), Janice Martin (Program Vice President), Barry Southerland (Executive Vice President), Frank Reckendorf (Treasurer), Jim Hallett (SERI Rep), Alaine Sommargren (Publications), Adrien Elseroad (Director at large Position 1), Joshua Chenoweth (Director at large Position 2), Keith Nevison (Director at large Position 3), Rolf Gersonde (Director at large Position 4), Ray Entz, (Director at large Position 5), Betsy Bermingham (Secretary), and Danielle Berardi (Student Guild Rep)

I. Board Administration
   1. 12/18/2012 Meeting Minutes
      a. Approved
   2. Treasurers Report
      a. We have $3938 as of January 11th in the check book. The preliminary report for our endowment at the end of December has a balance of $50,106. The income made on the endowment through 2012 was approximately $3,624, which equates to a 7% return on investment.
      b. The preliminary report on cash flow includes expenses from the conference, Potholes retreat, and upcoming 20th anniversary event at $5965, and revenue (not including endowment) of $2017 from membership fees, $787 from the silent auction, $344 for the sale of Moon bags, and profit from the conference of $7340. This equates to total profit for the year at $4703
      c. Discussion of upcoming expenses for student scholarships. It was clarified that we will be giving out two scholarships ($750 each).

II. New Business
   1. Board Meeting with Steve Bosak
      a. Steve will be attending the 20th Anniversary event and is interested in meeting with the chapter Board over the weekend.
      b. No one is opposed to a lunch and/or meeting mid-day on Saturday March 2nd.

III. Old Business
   1. Pay Pal account
      a. Samantha Rich is taking this task on. All she needs to do is finish filling out the application, and then PayPal will email us a button link that Alaine can put on the website. Frank will send the bank information to Samantha.

IV. Recurring Business
   1. Board development
a. Barry gave an update on the slate –at this point he just needs more info for the student rep position. He should be able to get nominations out in time and we’ll have the new Board in place by May.

b. We may get more potential nominees after the newsletter goes out at the end of January.

2. Strategic Communications Team
   a. Cascadia Restoration News - Submissions are due Jan. 28th, next issue will go out to members Jan 31st.
   b. Discussion of format changes: hoping this will work better for smart phones and those that hesitate to open attachments. Frank would prefer the format as it is (including the attachment). The Board agreed to continue including attachments for now as well as the link; it is okay to have some redundancy so that members can choose their preferred format.

3. Website
   a. Alaine is still trying to connect with Levi on some bigger changes to site.
   b. Jim noted that he heard from Caroline that we couldn’t actually sell things due to our non-profit status, though we could accept donations. This may apply for tickets to anniversary event. This is something we should look into. Allison is pretty sure that this rule is not the case, but will look into this. Frank also does not think we are in danger of violating any rule. Allison brought up the potential for various Paypal buttons that would be for donations for scholarships or for buying merchandise.

4. Restoration Highlights
   a. Have had a number of meetings
   b. Discussion of coordinating this with newsletter and websites.

5. Program Committee
   a. Frank suggested making sure that Save the Date email be sent to founding members. Frank will send the list of names to Janice.
   b. Janice asked who is responsible for the Awards? Allison has been managing this.
   c. Frank asked if we will have one more newsletter out before 20th Anniversary. We’re going to put out a late January newsletter. Frank’s history presentation could be included in the newsletter following the event; it can also be put on the website.
   d. We have a second speaker - Dave Bakter from Earth Economics – nice work Rolf.
   e. Bioengineering Workshop is being planned for October with Joshua and Dave Polster.

6. Student Guild Updates
   a. Discussion of membership fees.
b. SER-UW: Betsy was in touch with them in the fall, she will send Danielle the general contact email, which seems to get checked. Danielle will check in with them.

7. SERI Report
   a. Steve is coming to the Anniversary Party.
   b. SER has donated a number of auction items (memberships and books) – thanks Jim!

Next meeting February 19 (day after Presidents day), 6-7 pm (3rd Tuesday)