

DNR/DEQ Retirees Association
Board Meeting Minutes
August 6, 2025 – 10:00 am
Zoom Meeting

Roll Call

Debbie Begalle, Sharon Hanshue, Kay Duncan, Cheryl Farhat, Mike Moss, Sue Colon, Patty Roethele, Hal Fitch, Ann Feldhauser

Absent: Janice Heck, Mindy Koch, Dave Forstat

President Begalle called meeting to order.

Secretary Report: Minutes from May 2, 2025 mtg sent out via email, no changes. Motion to approve Sharon Hanshue, Patty Roethele seconded, Motion Carried.

Copy of Bylaws must be filed with LARA, Kay to send signed copy to Hal for website posting.

Treasurer Report: Sue gave July 31 ending financial report. Kay Duncan alerted Board of scams affecting associations who include money amounts in their written minutes and minutes are posted on Website. Sharon motioned we do not post financial figures in minutes. Seconded by Hal Fitch. Motion Carried. Discussion synopsis: figures will be reported verbally at Board Meetings; Treasury reports can be sent via email; Treasurer reports at board meeting will also be filed with the Secretary and attached to minutes. No postings of any financial figures on our website. Scam emails for reimbursements discussed. For additional security, Sharon motioned no monies to be dispersed via email request without an approved receipt, and any question of reimbursement Treasurer will follow up via verbal communication with requester. Cheryl seconded, Motion Carried.

Officer(s) Reports:

Regional Reps: Ann Feldhauser: Usual Luncheon(s) held. Ann will not be returning to her position and sent notification to Reg. I members seeking a new Rep. No takers so far. The UP picnic had 30 attendees and a success.

Mike Moss: Activity has been quiet in Reg II. Softball game planned but cancelled due to low interest.

Patty Roethele: Lansing Picnic went well, 40 attendees. Our speaker for Sept. meeting, Jason Fleming, of Parks and Rec. Div. is confirmed.

Cheryl Farhat: Working on next edition, will be 12 pages, no deadline set yet. Next Thursday, she has a meeting with Ms. Amy Abdo, DNR HR Director to discuss how to improve communication between Dept and our retiree group. She needs more retiree information submitted for newsletter.

Sharon Hanshue: Reported no nominations for Volunteer of the Year.

Webmaster: Briefed on website activity including registrations are coming in for Sept. Meeting.

Old Business:

Picnics and VOY – Covered in previous reports

1. 2025 Annual Meeting at Kirkland – Sue Colon handling all venue logistics
Currently registered, 25. Deadline 9/2/25. Sue reports all logistics are planned for including tables for display and whiteboard for 50/50. Jason is doing a PP and will need audio visual equipment
Speaker confirmed by Patty. Kay to send Jason electronic program
Registration: Sue and Mike
Display setup: Kay/Hal and others
50/50 ticket sales: Patty Roethele, Debbie Begalle, and others as needed
Nametags: Kay to provide
-

Program: Kay to do include on agenda, Amendment to Articles Approval and Elections
Door Prizes: Table ordered and Board to help organize and carry out drawing
Elections: Kay to provide a Cheat Sheet List

New Business:

1. Elections of Officers and Presentation of Slate of Candidates
Thought to ask Sharon Boushelle to handle the Election of Officers. *
*(At the writing of these minutes, Kay contacted Sharon and either she or Dick Lehman will handle the election.)
2. If possible, for business mtg, it was suggested to do a quick synopsis of accomplishments during the 2023-25 term of this Board. Kld to compile.
3. Lori Beauchamp has volunteered to do our financial Audit without cost.

Next Board Meeting: Friday, October 17, 2025 at 10 am via zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kay Lynn Duncan, Secretary

Dated: September 5, 2025

Attached Treasurer Report for
Reporting period: July 31, 2025