## Minutes – PVS ExCom Meeting – March 24, 2015

MEETING ATTENDEES: The meeting was held telephonically. On the call were: Nancy McKinley, John Holt, Marianne Soponis, Bob Knopes, Maryann Rozzell, Dick Laeser, Dave Warthen, Ray McKinley, Jan Marx, and Ellie Thayer. President, Nancy McKinley, chaired the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Secretary, Ellie Thayer, submitted the minutes of the February 24, 2015 meeting electronically. The minutes were approved and filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Dick Laeser, submitted the Treasurer's Report electronically. The report was filed. The Treasury amount is \$11,943.58.

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS REPORT: Membership chair, Dave Warthen, submitted the Membership Records Report electronically. The report was filed. Nancy moved to vacate the approval of one of the applicant couples because they had participated in one trip only and otherwise had not participated in PVS events. John Holt seconded the motion. During the course of the discussion it was discovered that the Hansons' primary residence was greater than 75 miles from Washington, DC. Pursuant to Section I(K) of the by-laws, they were, thus, eligible for Associate Member status. No vote was taken on the motion and ExCom determined that the couple was eligible for vote as Associate Members at the April meeting. Another applicant, Richard Lau, was deemed eligible for vote at the April meeting as an Associate Member. Another applicant, Jim Gunning, overpaid his dues by \$25.00 and has not cashed his refund check. Dave Warthen and Dick Laeser have been trying to resolve this matter for some time. Marianne Soponis reported that the applicant believes he misplaced or lost the check and does not wish to pursue it further. ExCom agreed that the check would be reflected on the books as an uncashed check. He was also deemed eligible for vote at the April meeting as an Associate Member who lives more than 75 miles from Washington, DC.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS REPORT: Events and meetings chair, Ray McKinley, gave a status report on upcoming events and meetings.

April 19, 2015 – Eclipse Concert in Alexandria, VA, at 3:00PM.

April 21, 2015 – annual meeting at Reg Heitchue's condo at 7:30PM.

April 28, 2015 – ExCom at Carolyn DeVilbiss' home at 7:30PM.

May 19, 2015 – monthly meeting TBA.

November 1, 2015 – PVS Golden Jubilee at Top of the Town, Rosslyn, VA.

Ray reported that he is still looking for a location for the May monthly meeting. Future events in the planning stage are Summerfest and Steak and Swim. Nancy is researching the possibility of a PVS trip with Road Scholar to London to attend one or more shows.

SKI TRIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Ski Trip Committee Chair, Rosemary Schwartzbard, was not on the call. Rosemary informed Nancy that she would give a full report at the next ExCommeeting.

PVS GOLDEN JUBILEE COMMITTEE REPORT: Committee chair, Rosemary, was not on the call. Nancy, a committee member, reported that the committee would be visiting the venue, Top of the Town, on April 20.

TOOT REPORT: TOOT Coordinator, Ellie Thayer, reported that Dave Warthen is the April editor and Jan Marx is the May editor. The April TOOT is on track awaiting two more articles, which are due Friday.

OLD BUSINESS: There was one item of old business.

Telephone tree potential: Inge, who is spearheading this project, was not in attendance and is presently out of the country. It was agreed that the trial project, which had been proposed for the annual meeting in April, would be postponed. It was suggested that it might be used for Summerfest or some other future event.

NEW BUSINESS: There were four items of new business.

Question: Should trip leaders provide a list of trip participants to the Membership Chair after the trips? There was no disagreement that this should be the policy. Nancy queried whether ExCom should also be informed. Dave said that the names would appear on the members-only portion of the website as an aid to him and trip leaders. Ellie noted that ExCom would have access to that resource.

Question: Should trip leaders provide a list of trip participants to other members prior to the trips? Marianne S. said, as a trip leader, she believes that such policy is unnecessary. Nancy added that it might be impractical also to keep such notification up-to-date. There was agreement without dissent that such a policy was not necessary.

Announcement by the Treasurer: Nancy informed the group that Dick Laeser, the club's Treasurer since 2006, is leaving the position. Nancy expressed great appreciation on behalf of all of us for Dick's lengthy and valuable service. Dick explained that it was time for him to depart and that the position was a low-activity one that required a monthly report to ExCom and brief annual filings with the IRS and Virginia State Corporation Commission. Dick recommended that his replacement be familiar with Excel and that the transition to a new Treasurer be accompanied by an audit. The group discussed finding a replacement and the former treasurer of CGS, Therese Malambri, was mentioned as a possibility. The replacement issue was left by urging members to search for suitable candidates and for Marianne to ask Therese about her interest.

\*On April 10, 2015, Nancy sent an email announcement to ExCom asking the members to vote on her recommendation for new Treasurer, Dick Schwartzbard. ExCom voted unanimously to approve the choice. Nancy made the formal announcement of the appointment, also on April 10.

*Nancy's valedictory:* Nancy, whose two-year term ends in April, thanked the departing ExCom members and officers for their valuable service to her and the club. ExCom, in turn, thanked Nancy for her splendid leadership these last two years.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM.

Minutes submitted by the secretary, Ellie Thayer.