

SEATTLE HERITAGE EMERGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK (SHERN)

Date: August 4, 2023, 9:30am-11:30am

Location: Virtual

Present: Kaia Wahmanholm (Nordic Museum), Sarah Frederick (Museum of Flight), Gary Menges (retired UW Libraries), Nicole Davis (Museum of Flight), Erik Bauer (Diocese of Olympia), Julie Irick (Seattle Municipal Archives), Camille Davidson (Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle), Ilan Levine (The Frye), Geneva Griswold (SAM), Laura Phillips (Burke), Danielle Coyle (??), Kristopher Strebe (Nordic Museum)

AGENDA

- Approval of the June minutes with no changes
- Secretary's report (Sarah)
 - No report
- Treasurer's report (Kaia)
 - Current balances:
 - Checking \$4792.20
 - Savings \$25.00
 - As of 8/4/2023, the following dues and info forms are outstanding:
 - Dues and invoice form missing from:
 - Bellevue Arts
 - Southwest Seattle Historical Society
 - Dues received but invoice form missing from:
 - Wing Luke
 - Seattle Public Library
 - Burke Museum
 - King County Archives
 - Seattle Municipal Archives
- Supply Subcommittee report
 - Without all three board position filled for the remainder of the year, no grant applications will be pursued to replace the second supply cache. This will be revisited in 2024
 - The committee will pursue purchasing supplies from the crowd sourced list to add to the existing cache at the Museum of Flight
 - Kaia and Sarah will investigate the SHERN debit card situation and report back to Nicole and Stephanie
- Nominating Committee
 - The nominating subcommittee was formed and will consist of Sarah, Geneva, and Julie. They will meet soon to begin work.
- Webinar reports / other learning opportunities

- Geneva just completed her first rotation as a NHR hotline responder. Fielded a variety of questions from people on various states of response. Very rewarding experience
- Updates from members
 - Burke
 - Siri's position has not yet been filled
 - Seattle Municipal Archives:
 - has been updating the disaster plan and would like to hear how others are addressing climate change, civic unrest, and prolonged closures in their plans. Suggested as a topic for the October meeting. Interest from the group around this.
 - Stephanie will send OCLC materials related to this topic around to the group
 - Jennifer from SMA has recently retired and her position has also not yet been filled.
 - SMA recently suffered a small leak in a storage area, but staff were able to quickly respond thanks to the disaster plan in place
 - UW Libraries
 - Lots of hiring happening right now, and the new Books Conservator will be starting later this month
 - Frye
 - Welcome to Ilan! Cory's position has not yet been filled and may be split into two jobs.
 - Ilan runs a group for Seattle area cultural groups security managers and would like to explore collaboration with SHERN in the future. They meet monthly, first Tuesday of the month from 9:30-11. He will share list of involved organizations following this meeting.
 - Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle
 - Campus buildings have been sold, and everyone has vacated except for the Archives. Building appears abandoned and there has been one break in so far. There is a leak in the building which has gone untreated so far.
 - Climate change and unexpected weather disasters have also been top of mind regarding disaster planning
 - Nordic:
 - Kaia will be leaving her position at the Nordic on October 20th, and the SHERN board. She will be able to attend the October meeting.
 - Camille has volunteered to step in for the remainder of the year to fill the third board seat
 - SAM:
 - Also had a recent leak in a storage area, which has not been fixed beyond turning off the water to the area
 - SAM's director is stepping down, but that should not impact SHERN involvement

- Also interested in the Climate Change discussion and would like to hear how other orgs are addressing this. Is change coming from staff or green teams, or from higher up, c-suite levels or at a strategic level?
- Next meetings:
 - October 6th – This date will need to be adjusted due to the WMA conference. 9/29 or 10/13. No strong consensus on date. Will wait to hear from folks and select a date by the end of next week.
 - December 1st – Seattle Municipal Archives may be able to host. Julie will confirm and follow up
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