

## **WSGA Board Meeting “Minutes” January 6, 2007, conducted via email roundtable discussion.**

Board members participating: Laurie Freeman, Cathy Hornback, Brian Parkhurst, Ed Graves, Paul West, Ray Dummar, Lisa Breitenfeldt, Gene Reed, Rod Yarger.

Minutes of previous meeting, held October 28, 2006 in Spokane were unavailable.  
Financial report was unavailable.

### **New business:**

- 1. New WSGA chapter**, the Central Washington chapter, is represented by Rod Yarger and covers the greater south-central region. A chapter banner will be ordered and delivered to the chapter in time for their first event on January 27, 2007. Action – banner was ordered and delivered.
- 2. Welcome to new members.** Let's make this a priority this year so people that join really feel that their membership is valued and appreciated. Action – Brian has been sending an email to all new members welcoming them to the WSGA.
- 3. Membership cards and patches.** Ed will look into ordering of membership patches and cards for this year. Action – it was decided to provide laminated nametags to members instead of wallet cards. Ed ordered embroidered patches which were included in the membership kits that were delivered or mailed to members.
- 4. Chapter coins.** The artwork for the new Central chapter coin is under development, and it will hopefully not slow down the coin production. Action – Central chapter artwork has been finalized, but IE chapter is still not completed.
- 5. Summer campout date and location.** Laurie will look into available group camps on the west side for this year's campout. Action – it was discovered that all available group camps within the state park system were already reserved for the season. The Jefferson County fairgrounds group camp was secured with a \$50.00 deposit from the WSGA treasury for the weekend of August 17-19.
- 6. Membership renewals.** We need to have a better procedure for encouraging membership renewals. Action – an email was sent through the WSGA site and the Yahoo group encouraging renewals. That has helped, but we need a better plan for next year.
- 7. Website stuff.** We need to keep our website content fresh to bring people in to check things out, participate in the forums, etc. Laurie indicated she would provide a monthly article. Action – that hasn't happened yet, partly due to unfamiliarity with adding text to the website. Will work on improvement in that area.
- 8. Chapter funding.** At our board meeting in Spokane in October, we discussed providing a sum from the WSGA treasury to each chapter for their use in hosting events or other activities that would benefit the local chapter members. Action – recommendations were put on hold pending obtaining financial statements from the treasurer and an updated status on costs for coin production.