

## **Public Service Recognition Week (PSRW) Meeting Minutes**

January 10, 2007

### **ATTENDANCE:**

Carol Marie Andrew, Department of Licensing  
Chana Clark, Secretary of State  
Cher Fleury, Parks and Recreation  
Joyce Norris, Department of Transportation  
Lillian Springer, General Administration  
Mark Vessey, WA State Historical Society  
Tracy Workman, Secretary of State

Julie Lies, Gambling Commission  
Jacque Long, Department of Personnel  
Gladys Guzman, General Administration  
Linnaea Jablonski, Secretary of State  
Pam Johnson, ICSEW  
Lorri Kredel, Lottery Commission

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chana Clark called the meeting to order at 10:00, and welcomed all attendees who braved the snow. Introductions were made all around at this time.

Chana said the photo opportunity with Secretary of State Sam Reed and State Auditor Brian Sonntag, is rescheduled for February 14, 2007.

Chana said there are some changes for the PSRW this year, and touched on the changes that Secretary Reed has outlined:

- Geared for more fun
- No key note speakers
- No talent show
- Wants a more "Fair" type of atmosphere; this leaves more time for visiting the vendor booths.
- Secretary Reed will open the event, and no other speeches
- No drawings allowed, but there will be "give aways" from vendors
- There will be no poster contest this year. This would also open up the display windows of the Credit Union for other artists during Arts Walk
- Elected Officials will be asked to be more visible and to help out with dispensing the food, meeting and greeting everyone
- Longevity award presentation will not happen in Olympia event, but at the agency level
- Secretary Reed wants everyone to focus their efforts on the event, and most of all, have a good time

Tracy Workman said that if we wanted to make changes next year, we can, but this is going to be a test, to see how it is accepted and attended.

Chana reported the Sonics have sold 100 tickets from their promotion, which is down from last year. The Mariners will be active again this year for Employee Day and it's tentatively set for late Spring.

### **Celebration Committee**

Linda Brock – Chair  
Sandy Brown  
Jeana Gillis  
Pam Johnson  
Jennifer Swidler  
Molly Hughes Mohler

### **Theme**

Discussion regarding the Theme of the event then took place. There was an active discussion which resulted in the choice of *“Proudly Serving Washington”*.

With the changes this year, Chana said the event will be more interactive, and leave more time for employees to visit all the vendors, and not just a few. Chana challenged all present to see what they can do to make their displays more interactive.

Chana asked everyone present to send her emails if they have any questions.

### **Extra Mile Committee**

Melissa Van Gorkom - Chair  
Mark Vessey  
Josi Brooks  
Patti Larson

Chana said that any one on the Poster Committee could volunteer to work with the Extra Mile committee. She also said that the nomination form has been sent out to all agencies and higher education the first part of the year, and it is also posted on the website. Due date for the nominations is March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007. This has also been opened up to the public to nominate a state worker. Press release has gone out statewide to let the public know they are now eligible to submit nominations.

It's also important to note that employees do not need permission to submit a nomination. This award is for employees to nominate their peers.

The winners will be announced the week of PSRW. Each agency will get a list of winners and nominations.

### **Longevity**

Joyce Norris - Chair  
Tracy Robinson  
Dawn Cypriano-McAfferty

Joyce has obtained the list from the Department of Personnel who qualify for this award. Letters and certificates will be mailed directly to the winners. Another change is the banner won't be printed and not as many brochures.

### **Media Relations**

Productivity Board staffs responsible for this committee. The first articles were released regarding the Extra Mile Award; announcing the PSRW co-chairs, and date of the celebration in Olympia. The dates for Tri-Cities and Spokane are on the website.

Finally, Chana stressed to the chairs the importance of getting in touch with the outlying areas so they have a close contact on each committee.

Productivity Board is working again with WA State University to plan an Employees day with the Cougars.

The next meeting is February 14<sup>th</sup> 2007, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM in the Washington State Library Building Conference Room 221.

***This will be the photo op for PSRW Reps with Secretary Reed, and State Auditor Sonntag.***