

SAC MEETING NOTES

Thursday, April 12, 2018

Notes composed by: Bill Richard, SAC scribe

SAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

IHOR AMBROZIAK, YURI BOYECHKO, TATYANA BONDARCHUK, KARINA RUTOVA, SEMION GURVICH, SLAVICA JOVANOVIC, NELI SALVADOR, ANDRII NAGORNYI, BILL RICHARD, ANDREY SHULIK, LANA DINGMAN, , NIKOLAY HRISTOV, GREG BUDEY, SLAVICA JOVANOVIC, SVETLANA PELL, BRIAN PARMAN, JASON PEARCE,

JACINDA PASCHOAL, Lutheran Community Services

SEREDA NATALY

SAC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ofc. Haunsperger – out of state training

Tamara Burkovskaia

MEETING NOTES:

1. Chair Boyechko led introductions and made welcoming remarks.
2. Svetlana Pell reported on the *Slavic Empowerment Team* (SET) and its DEEP – **Diverse Empowerment Employment Program**, an effort in its 3rd year.
3. A lively discussion ensued on next year's *Slavic Community Heritage Week* in January. Karina Rutova introduced ideas to improve next year's event. Tatyana Bondarchuk launced a discussion of how to better publicize next year's events (January 7-14.) Svetlana Pell proposed a joint effort by SAC and SET to organize, improve and promote next year's events. Tatyana Bondarchuk will take the lead in contacting facilities for next year's events.
4. Jacinda Paschoal talked about Lutheran Community Services and its efforts in:
 - Refugee resettlement

- Mental health services
- Crime victim services
- Immigration services
- Medicaid services

Lutheran Community Services will host the *Slavic 30 Year Anniversary Celebration* marking 30 years of resettlement in the Pacific Northwest on June 28 from 9 am to 4 pm. Events will take place at the Ukrainian Bible Church at 22820 NE Halsey St. in Fairview. All are welcome to part or all of the festivities.

5. Chair Boyechko launched a discussion of SAC Work Groups
 - a. Lana Dingman reported on the Media Work Group's success in producing and scheduling a program on *Traffic Safety and Hit and Run Investigation*. The program has aired on Slavic Family TV and will be re-broadcast on Nashe Radio and Slavic Family Radio.
 - b. Semion Gurvich led a demonstration of SAC's new website *slavicpdx.com*. All SAC members have access to folders on the site. Ihor Ambroziak urged everyone to log onto the site, use its features and prepare questions for next month's meeting.

6. Svetlana Pell led a discussion of the Russian Youth Leadership Conference scheduled for April 26, 9 am to 1 pm, at Clackamas Community College. Chair Boyechko stated that a focus of the conference will be the relationship between Slavic youth and the police and efforts to bridge the gap between youth and the police. Andrii Nagorny said another goal is to establish a Slavic Youth Council within 3 years.

7. Andrey Shulik launched a discussion of the Russian DMV manual and focused on the disparity between our estimate of Slavic speakers in the region and that of various government units, leading to a dispute as to how many copies of the manual should be printed and how they should be distributed. Jacinda Paschoal suggested we check with a variety of other sources to determine a reliable count of Slavic speakers. Others talked about distributing copies of the manual to libraries and making an online version available, thereby significantly reducing the number of manual copies we suggest be printed.

8. Tatyana Bondarchuk reminded us that the Crime Victim Advocacy Program will air on a number of channels in coming weeks.

The next meeting will be May 10, 2018, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at the East Precinct PPB