July 2021 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was a potluck picnic at Wapato Park on Saturday evening July 17th

Attending: Nancy Atwood, Barbara Menne, Chuck Jensen, Sue and Ray Lepore, John Doherty, Pete Weymiller, Linda Cohan, Elly Claus-McGahan, Marti Lambert, Donna Green, Cody Cook, Mary Forman, Claire Hovde, Aja Irons, Marissa Jeffords, and new members Donna Green, Cody Cook, and Nathan Mesker. Several members brought their partners, and one dog (our new mascot, Greta Cohan!)

Along with lots of great food and socializing in a beautiful setting, we did have a short business meeting and some stimulating discussion of future plans.

A survey sheet was passed around about how our meetings should be convened in the future. The options:

Continue all meetings on Zoom

All meetings in person at the Univ. of Puget Sound Library

Alternate months, in-person and Zoom meetings

Meet in person except for Zoom in the winter months

Meet on Zoom except for quarterly in-person meetings

Create an in-person/Zoom hybrid method ASAP (we are working on this!)

A sign-up sheet was passed around for participation in tabling at the Eastside Farmer's Market for a few Tuesday evenings from 3-7 pm. (The venue has been changed from Point Ruston because no booths were available there).

Elly McGahan informed us about the upcoming lobby meeting with Casey Duff, Senator Cantwell's aide, on this Tuesday at noon. There was some introductory discussion of lobbying.

Some possible ideas for future meetings—another EnROADS demonstration, some City Council and mayoral candidates (after the primary).

Q & A session for the new members:

How to sign up for the MOC monthly call.

Should we have a research action team? Providing information and also a head's up on upcoming local events, perhaps in a calendar format? (thanks, Cody)

Making better use of the forum on the website to keep each other informed.

Starting an Instagram account (thanks, Nathan)