WALE Business Meeting October 29, 2013

Theresa Barnaby, WALE Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:24 a.m. She welcomed everyone to the 2013 WALE Conference at Campbell's Resort on Lake Chelan.

Joe Olayvar introduced the 2013 Conference Committee, thanking them for putting together a great Conference. He encouraged everyone to ask committee members or the registration desk if they have questions. The WLA website is a great resource as well.

Theresa announced that the minutes from the last Business Meeting were on the tables for them to review. She asked if there were any corrections or additions. Georgette Rogers made a motion to change the date of the 2013 Conference in the minutes. The motion passed. With no further corrections, the minutes were approved.

Theresa announced that the scholarship winners for the conference were Beth Bermani, Mount Vernon City Library and Amy Rosenberg, Columbia County Rural Library. After congratulating them, she encouraged everyone to support Susan Madden's table as all of the proceeds go to WLA scholarships.

Theresa announced that the 2013 WALE employee of the year was Brian Soneda. Brian, a past WLA President, has been instrumental in re-energizing WALE and getting it back on course. Brian graciously thanked the group for honoring him with this award, as WALE employees truly inspire him. He thanked Joe and his team for their successful conference.

Theresa encouraged WALE members to become involved as a volunteer, as that is what has made WALE successful. WALE offers a network of support and advocates to both volunteers and members. She thanked Peggy Bryan and Cindy Wigen for their volunteer efforts in the past.

Theresa introduced the 2014 WALE officers; Daurice Siller, Chair, Joe Olayvar, Vice-Chair and Carol Ellison, Secretary. She announced that there will be a planning breakfast for 2014 Conference tomorrow morning at 7:30 a.m. and encouraged members to attend and become involved.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Bryan, WALE IG Secretary