



Department of Northwest

FIRST COUNCIL MEETING 25 April 2026

Meeting was called to order at 1519 hours by President Ed Brock.

Roll call of chapter was taken by secretary.

Present: Virtual, Bremerton, Seattle, Walla Walla, Spokane, Ed Brock, Peter Halver, Chad Bro, Sarah Bro, Deborah Halver-Hanson, Margaret Cope, Rickey Thomas, Judy Ford. Gary Ausman, Elise Rowe

Absent:

Quorum present

The Pledge of Allegiance was done earlier in the day

Copy of Minutes from the last Council Meeting in your packet. Motion by Gary Ausman seconded by Chad Bro to approve. Minutes approved.

Report of Officers: No new information from this morning.

Committee Reports:

MEMBERSHIP: Nothing new

ANNUAL MEETING: Ed Brock has indicated he would like to go back to having meetings in the East, Middle, and West side of the state. There was also discussion about the length of the meeting. It seems that some people will travel the day before the meeting and if the meeting is one day, it will be

FAMILY READINES: Nothing new

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Has not met. Will need to meet to decide what to spend some money since we are getting close to the \$100,000 mark which will increase significantly filing with IRS. Ed Brock appointed Margaret Cope, Deborah Halver-Hanson, Gary Ausman, and Judy Ford to the Budget Advisory Committee. Gary will be the chair, Rickey Thomas is ex officio. Need to set a date to discuss issues.

TREASURER REPORT: Rickey Thomas will send the total outcome of the Annual Meeting after the bill is paid.

Old Business

None

New Business

President, Ed Brock has one challenge for each one of us to find one person ½ your age and bring them into ROA in the next year. If you want to grow, you need to recruit.

Chad Bro asked if the department will provide tools such as a stipend to implement the challenge. That can be discussed.

Ed Brock mentioned he would not be able to be reached between 24 June and 1 July as he will be on vacation without any internet or cell service.

Meeting adjourned at 1539

Submitted by Judy Ford Department of Northwest Secretary