

**District 47 Business Meeting
Agenda and Reports
November 6, 2003 – 5:30 p.m.**

Call to Order by Chairman

Attendance - Ron Still, Diana Kees, Kathy Cope, Doranna Anderson

Treasurer's report by Deborah Strickland: (Ron Still reporting for Deborah.) Initial deposits made, all paper work and signature cards completed, Federal EIN acquired, and after the SEANC transfer on November 11, the Chairman will be reimbursed for the opening deposits. Bills, including the annual Internet site fee, may be submitted for payment after SEANC's December 11 transfer.

Community service: Clothing ministry and thrift shop has provided about \$86,800 in community benefits since its opening on March 3. Volunteers are needed to unpack and display donations. Children's and winter clothing in short supply on the racks, but may be in the donation stacks. Still need some caulking and painting done.

Membership report by Ronald Still: Our newest member is Dianne Thomas. Several members reported marriages and name and address changes. We have a list of members we lost when they left their jobs. We have not reconciled the members between the District and statewide computers yet. Recommendation: Chairman recommended to pay \$5 from district funds to any member of this district who recruits five new members. Carried. Standard membership forms will have to be submitted and approved before the check is issued.

Web page report by Ronald Still: District 47 is on its official site at <http://seanc47.org>. We also have it linked from the SEANC bulletin board part of the state site. Suggestions or personal donations are welcome.

Communications/Newsletter report by Diana Kees: Deadline for articles for this issue of the newsletter will be November 12.

Budget report by Ronald Still: SEANC is transferring funds one month after they are collected, therefore we will be operating with only 11 months dues for the year and 10 months prior to convention. Our shortfall is now estimated at \$970 for the year or \$1,270 before convention.

Fundraising presentations by members: Kathy Cope motion - raffle a TV/video off. Ron Stil to buy and get reimbursed from district.

District book set: SEANC will provide District 47 with its official book set at SEANC expense at the Board of Governor's Meeting on November 7.

EMPAC report by Ronald Still: The Region 10 EMPAC committee met on November 4. We discussed the political successes SEANC had in replacing bad leaders in the General Assembly. We were able to accomplish this in Region 10 since we have a high density of government employment in our region and we were somewhat successful in getting out the vote and assisting with the campaigns. The appreciation award and recognition from our statewide membership was deeply appreciated. We discussed the plans and possibilities for the General Assembly redistricting session, which will possibly disrupt the elections again. We laid the groundwork and have coping strategies for the upcoming gerrymandering. We will have need of interviewers, moderators, timekeepers, recorders, and schedulers and that's just for the candidate interviews. Some candidates mention we failed to support them or even open the process to them, but our records point out, they never appeared or replied when invited. Some of this work will remain confidential until endorsement is recommended and accepted. If you are interested in getting an inside look at the endorsement process and interview process, please contact Ron Still at 715-6520.

Next meeting: January 8 5:30 – fund raising and membership