

Evergreen State Dahlia Association

May 7, 2026

Minutes

Wayne Lobaugh, President, called the meeting to order. He wished to welcome new members this evening. If you've been to 2 or less meetings raise your hand. When we take a break, please look around and introduce yourself to someone you have not met.

I want to thank everyone who helped out with the tuber pack and tuber sales. We had to find other accommodations after the VFW double booked our second sale. Thanks to Melissa & Jeff for securing Capital High School for us.

Program: Joe Morse is an active member in the Federation's Dahlia Legacy Program and a member of the PSDA. Last winter he and his wife moved to the Olympia area. His mission is to keep alive beautiful dahlias which have been lost over the years. To quote him: "The Pacific Northwest has a rich dahlia history. Likely arriving in the region at the end of the 19th Century."

Business:

Minutes are no longer being read at the meeting. Please read online.

Dan Pearson, treasurer presented the report. Members who contributed tubers to the sale received checks this evening.

Dina: Federation report: Both Joe and Dina presented at the March 28th Spring Workshop. Dina's program was on photography and Joe's was heritage dahlias.

Karen: ADS report: Summer workshop: July 11, Bellevue Botanical Garden; July 25, Judge's training, Agnus Dei Lutheran Church, All members should have received their books. Register online. Membership is webbased. Must use own portal... in the process of "perfecting."

Wayne explained the organization of the dahlia world: The ADS (American Dahlia Society) is the overarching everything. . .founded in 1915. . .comprised of over 70 local societies in the U.S. and Canada. The Federation of Northwest Dahlia Growers sponsors judge training workshops. It is comprised of members in British Columbia, Washington and Oregon.

Then the ESDA is the local club which entitles members to club meetings, picnics and club roster.

Tuber sale: would like to have it sooner. Barbara Anne Smith, a lifetime member of the VFW, is willing to sponsor our club. Renee Lewis a motion that we secure the VFW hall. Seconded, passed.

Mentor program: Wayne will be organizing this.

Tuber sale: Total: \$6100. Also brought in 31 new members.

Our show is August 8 & 9 at Northwest Christian School

Next meeting: June 4 at NWCS. Karen Sanchez will give a lesson on clerking.

Auction: We'll learn at the next meeting the amount taken in.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Reynolds

Secretary

