



Poulsbo Sons of Norway, Lodge #44, District 2
Lodge Meeting Minutes, Dec 9, 2025

Meeting Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by President Curtis Vincent at 7:01 PM.
 - Anthems were played by Cathy Haug.
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Minutes of Previous Meeting / Secretary's Report

- The November 11, 2025 Lodge Meeting Minutes were presented by the Secretary.
 - Motion to approve the minutes was made by Rob Kodalen and seconded by Keri Kankovsky.
 - Vote: 100% approved; no opposed; no abstentions.
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President's Report

Acknowledgment of Past Presidents:

- President Vincent acknowledged past presidents in attendance:
 - Rob Kodalen, President 2017–2018
 - Paul Anunson, President 2019 and 2022–2024
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Vice President's Report

- Vice President Brian Smith reported that Julefest was successful.
 - He also reported that Santa's Breakfast sold 215 breakfasts.
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Treasurer's Financial Report

- Treasurer Bob Wolfe reported that October was the second-best month for the Trolls Den.
- Leikarringen donated \$4,000.
- \$2,100 was funded toward the convention.
- The lodge was \$500 below budget for October.



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- The liquor license was successfully updated, and bank accounts now reflect the current board members.
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Membership Secretary Report

- Membership Secretaries Keri Kankovsky and Shannon Perez presented 27 new members.
 - The new members were voted on and approved 100%, with no opposed and no abstentions.
 - The Membership Secretaries encouraged new members to volunteer and reported a four-hour minimum volunteer requirement per member per year.
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Old Business

- The Nordic Market had 29 vendors with an attendance of 3,439.
 - The Taste of Norway event was reported as very successful.
 - Santa's Breakfast served 215 pancake breakfasts.
 - The Holiday Giving Tree included 48 gift tags benefiting residents of Martha and Mary; all tags were claimed within 48 hours.
 - Jan Saenz was recognized for starting this tradition 30 years ago, with assistance from Debbie Tuson, Maggie Gresham, and Lisa Karotz.
 - Leikarringen reported that the Saint Lucia performance was attended by approximately 450 people.
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New Business

Foundation Scholarship:

- Joanne Graves reported that a silent auction held at Julefest was successful and raised \$3,000.
- She also reported that the Foundation offers two post-secondary scholarships, along with additional scholarships for dance programs and camps.

Upcoming Events:

- A Friday night dinner is scheduled for December 12, 2025, featuring Chicken Cordon Bleu, along with a basket auction.



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- On Saturday, December 13, 2025, the band COD PEACE will be playing classic rock, and there will also be a onesie party.
 - A Holiday Christmas Party will be held on December 14, 2025, from 5:00–7:00 PM. Members are encouraged to wear holiday attire. The event will include a potluck; members were asked to sign up in the Trolls Den. A white elephant gift exchange will also take place.
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Auxiliary Reports

Vikings:

- Josh Washburn reported that the Vikings meet on the third Tuesday of each month.

Leikarringen:

- Tess Doornink reported that 118 children attend Leikarringen weekly.
- A Lucia presentation by the adult dancers will take place on December 15.
- Lefse will be sold as a fundraiser on January 10.
- A dance workshop for approximately 150 children is planned.

Publicity:

- Jason Scott reported that beginning January 1, lutefisk will be available for sale on the lodge website.

Sports Director:

- Ruby Patterson reported that the Trollhaugen Lodge District 2 ski race will be held on February 7, 2026.

Maken Editor:

- Deb Adair Tongue, *Maken Editor*, reported that she encouraged members to submit contributions and noted that the Maken is generally published on the first Monday of each month.
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Continuing Business

Convention 2026:



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- Paul Anunson reported that the 2026 Convention will be held May 26–31, 2026.
- The convention is for District 2, including Oregon, Idaho, Alaska, and Washington.
- A \$1,000 grant was provided by the District.
- A \$5,000 loan was also provided by the District and must be repaid in 2026.

Resolution to International Board

Paul Anunson brought forward the following resolution for Board consideration:

Whereas membership levels are primarily the responsibility of individual lodges; and
Whereas the costs of operating large lodge properties have increased each year; and
Whereas financial support from International has decreased;

Therefore, be it resolved that it is recommended the International Board consider increasing the dollar portion distributed to lodges from U.S. membership dues to \$19 for individual memberships and \$32 for family memberships.

It was noted that annual income from membership dues to International would decrease by approximately \$150,000, and that the same amount would instead be distributed to lodges as additional income.

- A motion to approve the resolution was made by Brennan Webster and seconded by Yori Seeger.
- Discussion followed regarding the amount that would be distributed to lodges by International.
- Call the question was made by Lavonne Block.
- The motion was approved 100%, with zero abstentions and zero opposed.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- It was reported that there are many volunteer opportunities available.
- Members were reminded that the volunteer requirement is four hours per year.
- Members were encouraged to check with the office regarding available opportunities.

Upper Lot Parking:

- Parking in the upper lot is restricted.
- Only volunteers and individuals conducting large lodge business are permitted to park in the upper lot.
- Members planning to park in the upper lot were asked to inform the office in advance.



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City Parking Meeting:

- A city parking meeting will be held on Friday, December 12, 2025, at 9:00 AM at City Hall.
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Good of the Order

- President Curtis Vincent thanked all members of the Executive Committee and the Board for their hard work and dedication during the 2025 season.
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Next Lodge Meeting

- The next Lodge Meeting will be held on January 13, 2026.
 - This meeting will be an Officer Installation Meeting.
 - Officers will be sworn in, and dinner will be served.
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Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM by President Curtis Vincent.