

South Kitsap Business Networking (SKBN)

South Kitsap Business Networking, PO Box 2398, Port Orchard, WA 98366
BYLAWS

MEMBERSHIP is open to business professionals who have a primary product or a service, which is marketed to the public or other businesses. Only one member per profession, service or type of business will be allowed at any one time. A stand-by list will be kept by the secretary and will include anyone who has expressed an interest in joining the organization but whose profession or type of business is being filled by a current member.

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

ACTIVE MEMBER

Potential members will be asked to attend two consecutive meetings prior to an informal vote of the members for membership.

DUES shall be \$25.00 per quarter (plus an addition \$10 joining fee upon application approval), payable by the end of the 1st month of each quarter or upon joining the organization for new members. Non-payment of dues by the stated time may be grounds for loss of membership. Membership dues are used to purchase nominal membership tokens, fund membership events, or as voted on by the members. The organization's treasurer will make quarterly reports to the membership on the status of the organization's funds.

ATTENDANCE is imperative for a successful organization, in building relationships among members and for continued membership. Members with more than 2 unexcused absences per quarter without representation are susceptible to being replaced by any personnel on the stand-by list.

MEETINGS will be held every week on Wednesdays at 7:30 AM at the designated meeting place. The meeting format will be introductions, any business, potential member introductions, the presentation by a member, any referrals or testimonials thereof and closings.

OFFICERS shall be elected from among active members in good standing every last Wednesday in September. Officers will consist of a President,

Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. The current officers will form the nominating committee each year for the purpose of electing new officers. Nominations will also be accepted from the general membership prior to each election.

DUTIES of the officers will be as follows:

The President will ensure the weekly meetings are started and finished on time using the standard meeting format and greet and introduce prospective new members.

The Vice-President will fill in for the President whenever needed and will be responsible for the active recruitment of new members through the media and for the solicitation of speakers for the weekly meetings.

The Secretary is responsible for keeping the standby list, clearing potential members for attendance and maintaining the business card box.

The Treasurer is responsible for the notification and collection of dues, disbursement of funds and maintaining the list of current members.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER

An Associate Membership is those businesses that either do not have the time or a schedule that permits attending the morning meetings (7:30 AM Wednesdays). The Associate Member does not have all of the benefits or rights of an active member.

DUES are \$75 a year payable in upon membership approval. (Should the member choose to become an Active member at a later time, the dues will be applied to the cost of Active membership dues.)

Membership dues are used to purchase nominal membership tokens, fund membership events, or as voted on by the members.

Voting rights are given only to Active Members so an Associate Member will not have voting rights and will not be able to serve as Officers of SKBN.

PARTICIPATION of Associate Members will be by giving feedback or asking questions via the SKBN member mailing group. Associate Members are encouraged to participate in Group Events when possible.