

Minutes of Caspar Community Board of Directors Meeting

February 13, 2009

I. Call to Order at 9:07 a.m.

Board Members Present: Paul Reiber, Rhoda Teplow, Susan Keller, Susan Juhl and Annie Lee, and David Alden.

Absent: Bette Goldfarb (on leave) and Paul Schulman.

Staff: Dalen was absent

Quorum Declared: Yes X No

II. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes for the board meeting of Jan. 30 were approved as read.

III. Reports

A. Correspondence

Annie read the correspondence.

B. CASPAR 20/20

Rhoda met with Chuck Bush to talk about a Caspar 20/20 event in March. The event would be from 10 am to 4 pm. Rhoda requested that he get paid for his day of facilitation. There were many who suggested he be paid an honorarium, and Judy said the Tarbell Foundation had given CC \$1,000 for planning. Susan K. made a motion for a \$250 honorarium that was seconded by Susan Juhl and passed by the board. A date was discussed and if it should be included in the community meeting. Judy said South Caspar and people on Road 409 should be invited. Rhoda will send out the notice via email. No community meeting will be planned for March 8th if we have Caspar 20/20 instead. Rhoda will get a date from Chuck. Judy will make the postcards and print the labels. Rhoda will write a press release, and Dalen will be asked to make a poster.

C. Manager's Report

Annie is taking Dalen's role while she is on vacation and she said the bookings are going fine. We will continue to have one free community event a month, and the planners aren't to request money from the public who attends; however, a tip jar for Caspar Community can be left out. The Czech puppet group, "Théâtre de la Libertée" wanted to see if they can come here for the price of their costs only. The show is "Faust in the Cosmos". They would take the first \$200 from the door and the rest goes to Caspar on March 1, Sunday, 7 pm. Judy suggested that Jima might do the publicity. Susan J. said they are very good and sold out at the Mendocino Theatre Company.

IV. Old Business

A. Kitchen Update

Paul R. said we have to sign the papers for the conditions of the USDA Loan. It is non-binding if we don't want to accept the loan, but if we do we are bound to the conditions. Jennifer Gooler of the Santa Rosa office waived the need for a full time inspector on site during a phone conversation Paul R. had with her. We need a board resolution to sign it that must be done today. Judy reminded us that there were no local bonded contractors on the coast. David moved that we resolve to have the secretary sign the letter of intent agreeing to the terms and conditions of the loan and request for obligations of funds. The board of directors passed the resolution. Judy has documentation from past loans showing that we could not receive funds from other sources. Paul R. will mail it in today.

B. The Mail Pavilion

David wanted to schedule a final half- day of work when Dalen returns. David has a list of things to do when the rain stops.

C. Playground

Georgia Collins has the only copy of the wetlands survey, and we are waiting for that before we can place the playground. Paul R. has been trying to contact her.

D. New Board Members

Judy will invite the Old Mill Farm owners, Barbara and Ben Sochacki.

V- New Business

A-Eucalyptus

There will be two spring and two fall cutting sessions. Caspar Community can sell the bucked up wood. Judy said we need a splitter. CalFire will cut the trees. The inmates will come in and buck them up. The volunteers will remove them. We need to find volunteers and trucks. Susan K. said we should offer the wood for sale at our next breakfast. Judy will ask the playground group, Gunner and Melissa, if they want to buck, split, and distribute the wood. Dave suggested we store it west of the driveway.

B-Ed Power's Road

Susan Keller reported that Ed made 5 speed bumps.

C-Garden

Judy reported that 20 of the 24 plots have been adopted by private people. It is

evolving naturally and they are now personally responsible for organizing themselves. Caspar no longer will put money into the garden. Judy said there never has been a meeting with all of them and there is no organizer. She hopes that there will be manager who can meet with them. There was a discussion of what is a community garden. David said that if you worked for the good of the community, you should be able to use the food. Annie said that we really don't know if we can go into the garden and eat the food or not. Susan K. said she would volunteer to meet with them and report to the board.

D-"Shut Down"

Judy announced proudly that Beca Lafore has released a DVD that will be shown at Caspar Community Sunday, 7 pm, April----. There will be time for discussion.

C-Lights

Paul R. spoke with Larry Lawlor who suggested strings of lights under each step to be turned on by movement. Lighting will be tabled for next meeting.

Adjournment: 10:42 am. Adjourned by Susan Juhl, Vice- President.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhoda Teplow