

MINUTES OF THE CASPAR COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD MEETING
August 8, 2008

A: The meeting was called to order at 9:05.

Present: Paul Schulman, Bette Goldfarb, Susan Juhl, Judy Tarbell, Paul Reiber, Rhoda Teplow

Staff: Dalen Anderson

Absent: Susan Keller, David Alden

B. The minutes of July 11 were approved.

The minutes of July 25 were approved as corrected.

C. Reports:

1. Correspondence:

Bette Goldfarb said all supplied Red Cross trailers are being used so none are available. She'll call Sheriff Allman to see about possible empty trailers.

The school board is looking for a new member; are any of us interested? Judy Tarbell had recommended two young people for the job. We realize we need young blood on our board. We'll actively recruit them, especially at events that draw them.

Judy and Bette are talking to Angela Martin (from Parks) about gorse and eucalyptus culling.

2. Treasurer:

Judy Tarbell gave her report. The bar from "Darlinda" netted \$1185 for the CCC -- and it was fun, too.

3. Manager:

The Swing Dance people want to rent the CCC on New Year's Eve. Dalen doesn't want to do concessions. If someone else does, say so soon.

D. New Business

1. Playground:

Marissa Cohen presented ideas for a new playground. Since the Mendocino playground is closed, kids are using the one in Ft. Bragg. Some parents feel the current slide in Caspar is too high. They're willing to help with fundraising (going to the government, writing grants, etc.) for new equipment. It would meet federal guidelines. This would bring more young people here. Since the costal development permit with the county is still active, we can amend it if we build a new playground, thus saving a \$2600 fee. Marissa will spearhead the project, put up fliers, etc. Her number is 964-2898. The parents can have a booth at CasparFest.

E. Old business

1. Kitchen

Dalen will do her internal layout drawings for Dan Dixon next week.

Judy thinks we need to be serious about money; can we fund-raise enough money for the kitchen costs? We'll be going from paying a mortgage of \$2,000 a month to \$3,000 with the new loan. However, building costs are down and contractors are eager for work. Then again, the economy has changed in other ways. Pledges are down. Is the two-year-old bid amount realistic? There will be extra expenses, too. We'll look for grants (nutritious health etc).

2. Mail Pavilion

Dan Dixon, John Wozniak, Mike Able and Paul Schulman met and looked at plans. Jim Deering will meet with Dan and Paul next Sunday. John would work with volunteers; Mike would use his crew.

There is \$10,000 in an account for the postal pavilion. It's not enough.

Redwood Roofers will donate the roof. We need to get wood etc. as cheaply as possible.

3. Lu'au

The tickets are selling very well. Judy will man the door at 6, Susan Juhl and Bob will tend bar from 6–7:30 then Paul Reiber will take on the job. The South room will be used for dining, then chairs will be moved into the North room for the entertainment.

4. Casparfest

It takes place Sept. 27—28. Flynn Creek Circus will perform, but not on a trapeze. We'll pay \$250 for three folk for the weekend. Kevin, the man with the big balloon, wants \$100 a day as a show-up fee. The balloon ascends only when the weather is safe. He has insurance. He charges \$10 a person. We'll use the great photo of the balloon flying over the CCC in the paper.

There will be community interest booths inside and outside, such as disaster prep, FireSafe group, CERT. Jima Abbott is in charge of them. We need an indoor stage manager.

5. Cob oven placement

John Wozniak will help make the foundation with cinderblocks Aug.30—31. Michael Smith will lead it. The Building Department said we need to use a non-reflective metal roof. (We can get away with no roof for a year.) 7 people have signed up for the event.

6. Mendocino Theatre Company tickets for Rabbit Hole benefit for CCC

Susan Juhl gave each board member 4 tickets for the Friday August 29th benefit for the CCC of Rabbit Hole, the Pulitzer prize winner for Best Play, being presented at MTC. Each ticket is \$25. There's a reception at 7 PM with curtain at 8 PM. The rest of the tickets are at the CCC. Checks for tics are to be made out to the Caspar Community.

Other things brought up:

We now have trenched hoses for the garden; piping for an electric line is ready.

May Johnson's 90th birthday is being celebrated Aug 18th at the CCC from 2—5.

Judy Tarbell will organize a bar for New Year's Eve.

We adjourned about 10:45. We then went to the back of the building, to choose a site for the Cob oven.