

Minutes of Caspar Community Board of Directors Meeting

May 22, 2009

I. Call to Order at 9:09 a.m.

Board Members Present: Bette Goldfarb, Paul Schulman, Judy Tarbell, David Alden, Susan Juhl, Rhoda Teplow

Absent: Annie Lee, Susan Keller and Paul Reiber

Staff: Dalen

Guest: Loraine Duff

Quorum Declared: Yes X No

II. Approval of Minutes:

There was not a quorum May 8 and no minutes.

III. Reports

A. Correspondence:

Michael Matthay had a suggestion for the post office box problem.

David will follow up.

B. Financial Report:

Judy gave the financial committee report of last week. The Postal Pavilion to date cost \$34,469.09. \$20538.13 came in as donations plus \$25,000 from the Juhls as unrestricted. The committee recommended transferring from unrestricted Juhl funds to the Postal Pavilion donation \$13,930.96 to balance the Postal Pavilion account. Judy made a motion to approve this transfer which was suggested by the finance committee. Motion was approved.

Judy asked the board if we should still keep funds in the Schwab account because presently it isn't earning very much. Dalen suggested that we ask Ruth before we decide. Rhoda suggested we table the discussion.

Bette wanted to have the finance committee meetings open to the public. A long discussion followed. David made a motion to reopen the discussion on the transfer of the Juhl money to the Postal Pavilion. No action was taken on the motion. Bette feels committee meetings should be open to the public. David said the finance committee only makes recommendations to the board. There was a consensus to let people know that committee meetings do happen and that decisions are not made at these meetings. Bette suggested that board and committee meetings be at times when working community members can attend. We will not post the finance committee outside because it will not function well to have to explain complex book keeping each time to new visitors. Visitors are welcome to the board meetings to hear the finance committee's report.

C. Manager's Report:

Caspar Fest:

Dalen wants to bring in more money at the Fest and talked with Susan Lightfoot, a fundraiser.

Dalen suggested a cover letter explaining the three organizations and sending to businesses asking for \$300 sponsorships and the businesses would be identified at the Fest. Rhoda suggested we divide up the list to all personally. We would have to divide the sponsorships with the other organizations. Rhoda will supply Dalen with her list of business sponsors. Judy said

the sponsorships before were often in trade. The trades must be for the center and Fest and not for the person asking. Rhoda said we need good accounting for services rendered and received.

The Father's Day event needs more support. Judy has equipment for some of the games. Dalen needs help and ideas for this event. It will be 3 to 6 pm. She will get a liquor license and make pizzas. David will sing and play and host an open mic.

IV. Old Business:

A. Playground:

David S. suggested that there have been lots of emails back and forth between Marissa and Margaret Brown trying to make the playground smaller. Margaret got the configuration to within 48' by 60'. These plans will go to the Planning Department that wants details as of size and colors. We are asking for muted colors such as brown and green to not stand out. Rick suggested trees be planted to hide it from the highway. It would provide windbreak, too. Liz Haapanen said that the gardeners weren't happy with the placement of the playground. David said they should use the List Serve. Judy will forward her input to the Caspar Exchange. Paul S. and Bette will talk with the gardeners on Sunday. Tommy Brown ok'ed the placement of the playground. Patty Madigan did not agree according to Judy. David reminded Dalen to check on the rent due by Tommy because we could use the space for disaster preparedness. Paul S. will have the conversation with Tommy.

B. Kitchen:

Dan brought the plans to the architectural meeting. Dalen listed the things that have to be detailed. Rhoda said the new building would be beautiful. The south room would be divided by a translucent barn door 14' tall. We could start building by September. Judy reported that we were able to cut things out to save costs. Dalen said when the kitchen is done we should paint the whole interior and exterior building. David said that we need to establish a capitol fund for maintenance costs. Judy wanted ideas later about showing recognition for specific donors such as pavers suggested by David.

D. Water:

E. PB Works:

F. Jackson State Forest:

Bette reported on Road 500 speed bumps complaints. Loraine reported that the bumps deny access for public access especially for emergencies. We could call Jackson State Forest office in Fort Bragg to complain. Bette will write a letter to State Forest. Loraine will help her.

Jackson State Park will be logged and there are many timber harvest plans. The logging trucks will access Road 500.

Rhoda stopped taking minutes and left at 10:50am.

Adjournment: ----- am. Adjourned by Paul Schulman, President.

Respectfully submitted,
Rhoda Teplow