



## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**Thursday, March 26, 2009**

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:

James Patterson – Co. Board of Supervisors	Johnathan Hurst – Fire Prevention Assn.
Bill Tietje – UC Cooperative Extension	Michael Walsh – Cambria Focus Group
Dan Dulitz – District 5 Representative	Keith Aggson – City of Atascadero
Mark Miller – Fire Chief’s Association	Rich Thompson – Cal Poly
Warren Hoag - SLO County Planning	Jim Harrison – District 4 Representative
Roy Parsons – Cattlemen’s Association	Roland Snow

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Rick Hawley - Greenspace	Skip Dyke – Range Improvement
Matt Jenkins – CAL FIRE / SLO County Fire	Joseph Cabassi – Insurance Industry
Dan Turner – District 3 Representative	Mark Elliott – APCD
Elizabeth Merson – Red Cross	Greg Saenz – Pacific Gas & Electric
Bob Neumann – District 2 Representative	

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Patterson at 10:10 A.M.

President Patterson introduced and welcomed Michael Walsh to the Board of Directors. ***It was moved, seconded and approved to accept Mr. Michael Walsh as a member of the FireSafe Council Board of Directors representing the Cambria Focus Group.***

### CONSENT AGENDA

***It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the consent items:***

- Financial Report through February 28, 2009
- Meeting Minutes – January 29, 2009
- Business Manager’s Report
- Executive Board Minutes

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### **RECOGNITION**

President Patterson presented Bob Putney with a FireSafe Council paperweight and Certificate of Appreciation from the County Board of Supervisors recognizing all his hard work and dedication to the FireSafe Council. President Patterson congratulated Bob on his retirement and thanked him for his years of service to the council and the community.

### **SECRETARY**

The position of Secretary is vacant. This position is responsible for reviewing the council by-laws, assisting with meeting preparation/documentation and attending one meeting per month. There were no volunteers. This item will be placed on the May meeting agenda.

### **BUSINESS MANAGER UPDATE**

Dave Mathe informed the council that the State FireSafe Council has awarded the SLOCCFSC an additional grant in the amount of \$194,847. **It was moved, seconded and approved that the San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council authorize Dave Mathe or Jim Patterson to sign a contract for the \$194,847 State FireSafe Council grant.** There was discussion regarding ways to spend this additional money over the next 18 months. Proposals will be discussed at future meetings.

CY 2010 grant applications submitted to the State FireSafe Council total \$809,120 – projects include Botanical Garden Demonstration Garden, Cal Poly Web Project, Chipping/Fuels Modification, Replacement Chipper, Avila Focus Group, Arroyo Grande Demo Garden.

### **SLOCCFSC WEB PAGE DEVELOPMENT**

Dave Mathe shared that Will Castagna, Ojai Valley Focus Group Executive Director, attended the Executive Board Meeting to present and discuss the pros, cons, costs, and on-going maintenance of a web site. The Executive Board is asking for volunteers for a sub-committee to investigate a web page. One of the Council's goals this year is to create a web page and educate the public on fire safety. Rob Lewin committed Greg Alex, Mark Miller suggested Ken Renshaw, and Rich Thompson volunteered for the sub-committee. Rich will investigate the possibility of Cal Poly hosting the web site. This item will be placed on the May agenda.

### **GUEST PRESENTATION**

Johnathan Hurst, Building Official and Fire Marshal for the City of Arroyo Grande, made a presentation on "Fire Resistant Building Codes."

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**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the FireSafe Council Board of Directors is scheduled for May 28, 2009, 10:00 – 12:00, location to be determined.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilyn W. Moore