



Board of Directors Annual Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 28, 2010

BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:

Bob Neumann – District 2 Representative	Skip Dyke – Range Improvement
Dan Turner – District 3 Representative	Roland Snow - Secretary
Dan Dulitz – District 5 Representative	Warren Hoag - SLO County Planning
Mark Miller – Fire Chief’s Association	Roy Parsons – Cattlemen’s Association
Johnathan Hurst – Fire Prevention Assn.	Jim Harrison – District 4 Representative
Rick Hawley - Greenspace	James Patterson – Co. Board of Supervisors
Joseph Cabassi – Insurance Industry	Elizabeth Merson – Red Cross
Royce Larsen – UC Cooperative Extension	Chris Dicus – Cal Poly

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Matt Jenkins – CAL FIRE / SLO County Fire	Greg Saenz – Pacific Gas & Electric
Keith Aggson – City of Atascadero	Mark Elliott – APCD

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Patterson at 9:30 A.M.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the consent items with the exception of “Election of Officer and Directors”:

- Approve November 19, 2009 Meeting Minutes
- Accept Business Manager’s Report
- Approve Executive Board January 7, 2010 Meeting Minutes
- Reappoint Century Small Business Solutions as Tax Advisor

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the slate of Directors as presented.

Dan Dulitz - District 5 Representative
Jim Harrison - District 4 Representative
Warren Hoag - SLO County Planning Department
Matt Jenkins - CAL FIRE / SLO County Fire Department
Bob Neumann - District 2 Representative
Roy Parsons - Cattlemen's Association
James Patterson - County Board of Supervisors
Greg Saenz - Pacific Gas & Electric
Bill Tietje/Royce Larsen (alternate) - UC Cooperative Extension
Dan Turner - District 3 Representative
Roland Snow

It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the list of officers as presented.

President – James Patterson
1st Vice President – Bob Neumann
2nd Vice President – Dan Dulitz
Treasurer – Dan Turner
Secretary – Roland Snow
Executive Board Member at Large – Request Nominations

It was moved, seconded and approved to appoint Jim Harrison as Executive Board Member at Large.

2009 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Dave Mathe distributed the 2009 Annual Report for the San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council and highlighted the accomplishments (page 3 of the Annual Report).

Fuel Reduction at the following areas: Cambria Rodeo Grounds, Daisy Hill in Los Osos, Ranchita Estates, Templeton, Running Deer Ranch, Bee Rock, Squire/Baron Canyon, Equestrian Way, and Port San Luis Lighthouse.

Chipping events in: Suey Creek, Nipomo, Edna Valley, Shandon, Meridian/Whitley Gardens, Parkhill (part 1 of 2), Creston, Los Osos, Templeton (2 events), and Cambria.

Fire Resistant Demonstration Gardens at the Mid-State Fair Grounds and in Arroyo Grande.

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2009 Summary

Materials Chipped – 1,273 tons or 2,546,000 pounds

Acres Treated – 390

Grant Funds Realized - \$387,974

Grant Funds Expended - \$298,771

Grant Funds Carried Forward to 2010 Projects - \$186,050

Community Matching Funds - \$229,637*

*Grant Matching Requirement - \$38,729

Matching goal \$1 grant - \$1 community match

2010 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Dan Turner stated that the FireSafe Council has had a very successful year. He reviewed the following:

CY2009 Grant Results (page 5 of the Annual Report):

\$490,806 = Total Revenue

\$298,771 = Expenditures

\$192,035 = Balance Remaining on Grants

CY2009 Operating Funds Results (page 6 of the Annual Report):

\$46,857 = Total Income Received

\$33,054 = Total Actual Expenses

\$13,803 = Carry Forward to 2010 Operating Funds

CY2009 Reserve Funds Balance

\$5,000 = Prudent Reserve

\$4,000 = Maintenance Reserve

CY2010 Operating Funds Proposed Budget

\$13,803 = Carryover from CY2009 Operating Funds

\$26,713 = Allocated from Grants

\$40,516 = Total Income Received

\$40,516 = Total Projected Expenses

Suggestions for spending unallocated revenue should be submitted in writing to the board officers for review prior to discussion at a future meeting.

It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the FireSafe Council budget for 2010 as presented by Treasurer Dan Turner.

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CAL POLY STUDENTS

Dr. Chris Dicus introduced the students in his Wildland-Urban Interface Fire Protection Course. These students are working on a protection plan for western Atascadero.

FIRESAFE COUNCIL WEB PAGE

Fire Captain Greg Alex, CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Department, shared that at the September 24, 2009 Board of Directors meeting the Board approved for CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Department to move forward on development and maintenance of a FireSafe Council website. Since that meeting Greg and his staff have spent approximately 30 hours on Phase I/development stage of the website www.fscslo.org. Greg reviewed the FireSafe Council website in detail and requested feedback from the Directors. Comments by Board members after the presentation were very complimentary.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chief Mike Hubert, President of the Fire Chiefs Association of San Luis Obispo County, thanked the FireSafe Council Board of Directors for their dedication and hard work throughout the community.

GRANT CHECK PRESENTATION

Fire Captain Laurie Donnelly, on behalf of the Avila Valley Focus Group, accepted a \$39,560 grant check from the FireSafe Council. The Avila Valley Focus Group, one of the first focus groups, has been very successful and is now self-sustaining.

RECOGNITION AWARDS

President Jim Patterson presented recognition awards to the following individuals for contributions to the FireSafe Council during the past year:

CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Department - Matt Jenkins/Rob Lewin accepting
Cuesta Camp Crews/Fuel Reduction

Ben Boer – Cambria Focus Group
Two fuel reduction projects in Cambria

Mike Anderson – California Conservation Corps
Crews on fuel reduction projects

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Station 21 – CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire – Neli Mongin accepting
Chipping project in Arroyo Grande

Avila Valley Focus Group – Laurie Donnelley accepting

Arroyo Grande in Bloom – Bob Lund, Mary Hertel, Tom Goss accepting
Demonstration Garden in Arroyo Grande

Demonstration Building Landscaping at the Mid-State Fair - Not in attendance:

The Tree Man Nursery

Sandford Stone Company

Kritz Landscape

Greenfield Turf

AJ's Contractor Supply

Yard Work McGurk

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PROGRAM

Demonstration Garden – Arroyo Grande in Bloom – Presented by Bob Lund, Mary Hertel and
Tom Goss

Avila Valley Focus Group – Presented by Captain Laurie Donnelly

Australia Wildfire Experience – Presented by Dr. Chris Dicus

The meeting adjourned at 11:57 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilyn W. Moore