Las Posadas Six County Board

January 11, 2016

Attendance: Alameda – Jim Bennett, Jim Richards, Charles Fereira

Contra Costa – Kerry Dolphin

Marin –

Napa _ Tammy Hill, Diane Billeci, Kerri Abreu

Sonoma – Charles Hampton, Margaret Close

Call to Order: Jim Bennet called the meeting to order at 7:08.

Jim called the roll of members to see if all counties have full representation. Some counties were not able to recruit new members so we now have thirteen members instead of fifteen. Gary Osman from Sonoma was dropped because he hasn't been able to attend meetings.

Minutes: The minutes of the November meeting were corrected to show that Diane Bilecci was present. Charles Fereira moved to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Charles reported a balance of \$36,767.73. He is looking into an unexplained rate increase by Telecom from \$29 per month to \$84. He expects to get a refund of \$6,600 from our former insurance carrier, Markel. Markel asked for\$1,200 in inspection fees in addition to annual fees.

Vice President's Report: Tammy announced that Seth Cummings is returning as lifeguard. She will hire a second lifeguard if one can be found. Otherwise, counties will be responsible for hiring their own.

Tammy shared weekend and camp dates. The State Camp Conference will be held from April 1 to 3. She and Dion will be presenters. Brian Oatman will present a session on paperwork. Tammy and Dion will consult with him on problem areas and confusions before the conference.

Tammy reported that Bobbi has contacted Napa Rotary about bunk replacement. They gave her a request form to submit to them. Kerry will follow up on this.

Serve Safe: Kerry Dolphin will let us know of a possible opportunity to be certified at a training offered by Contra Costa County.

Maintenance: Jim asked each county to designate a maintenance contact person and notify him.

Kerry will make sure bee traps are baited and hung.

Jim shared updated copies of the maintenance list. He said that major, specific jobs required to be completed for camp opening will have priority.

Tammy said that Napa will fix the bridge.

Charles Hampton reported that Dan Lavell will replace sub-standard galvanized pipe in boy's camp but it is a four-day job and he is not able to do it as a volunteer.

Kerry said the main below girl's camp also needs a permanent fix. She asked if Dan could submit a bid.

Diane has a contact at PUC who has offered to have college students volunteer at camp.

Charles Hampton suggested adding the connection at the bend in the pipe below the tank to the priority list. (Dion's Corner)

Charles Hampton will patch the kitchen floor.

Diane talked with Best Fire Equipment about the correct brackets needed for fire extinguishers and shared their recommendations. Napa 1 will get the brackets and install them. The emergency plan should be updated to show current locations of all fire extinguishers.

Tammy asked for a screen door at the cook's quarters. Because of the tight space, it was recommended that she buy a curtain screen.

Tammy thinks Napa 1 can possibly strip, sand, and repaint the railing at the dining area.

Jim and Kerry have investigated salad bars and recommend we buy a table-top model with a sneeze guard.

New Business

Kerri shared a letter she wrote to solicit outside donations to camp. She invited all counties to modify and use it. Charles Hampton suggested that former 4-H members might be willing to donate to camp. He will send our tax id number to all.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

Submitted by

Margaret Close