

Las Posadas Camp Board of Directors
Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: November 18, 2024

Officers Present:

President: Michelle Machado

Vice President: Tom Baldocchi

Secretary: Dave Putnam

Treasurer: Lisa Westin

Directors Present: Alameda County: Jim Richards, Jim Bennett

Contra Costa County: Kerry Dolphin

Marin County: Matt Torrence, Duncan McAndrews, Lisa Westin

Napa County: Dave Putnam, open seat

Sonoma County:

Visitors and Interested Parties Present:

Margaret Close

-Meeting via Zoom called to order by President Machado at 7:02 pm PST

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Westin reported the balances for the board's accounts

-Checking account #7318 has a balance of \$54,501.47

-Checking account #5973 has a balance of \$87,129.68

-Check issued to Lisa Westin for reimbursement of P.O. Box expenses for \$577.00

-\$50,000.00 Check issued to Alameda County for reimbursement of funds granted for kitchen renovation has not been cashed and possibly was lost. Bennett and Richards will investigate.

-Refund of deposit previously paid to Castino Restaurant Supply for kitchen renovation has been received.

Secretary's Report

Minutes for the October 14, 2024, were distributed by Putnam via e-mail prior to the meeting Machado moved to accept, seconded by McAndrews, passed unanimously.

Old Business

-Baldocchi reports that the LP Youth Camp Alliance has received a tax ID # and is working on establishing a 501 C3.

-Machado reports that Director of Advancement, UC Agriculture & Natural Resources

Andrea Ambrose has extended the inactive status of Las Posadas Camp Inc. for another year.

-Several members of the Board and other interested parties participated in an inspection tour of the camp facilities on November 15th to inventory and assess current conditions. Representatives from California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection escorted the participants to the camp. Inspection included the kitchen, slab, boy's and girl's bunks and bathrooms, admin building, nurse's building, arts and craft area, Woody's Circle, Burnside Circle, footbridge over Moore Creek and swimming pool. Nobody was able to provide a usable code to open the combination lock on the storage building next to the kitchen. Some possible vandalism was noted in various places, power line feeder to the admin building is on the ground and a window in the building was broken by a tree branch which is still there. Several trees have fallen and there are a lot of leaves and pine needles littering building roofs the slab, bunk areas and outside the storage building. Several dead trees that are currently standing were noted throughout the areas on the tour.

Tour participants are listed below:

Jim Bennet	Alameda County
Jim Richards	Alameda County
Devon Baldocchi	Contra Costa County
Tom Baldocchi	Contra Costa County
Wayne Reeves	Contra Costa County
Duncan McAndrews	Marin County
Matt Torrence	Marin County
Michelle Machado	Sonoma County
Craig Machado	Sonoma County
Tony Withington	Sonoma County
Margaret Close	Sonoma County
Dave Putnam	Napa County
Matt Ryan	Cal Fire LNU Chief
Brian Ham	Cal Fire Napa County Acting Fire Chief
Jack Little	Cal Fire Forestry Assistant II
Mike Wink	Cal Fire

McAndrews took several photos during the tour. Putnam will post the photos on the website.

New Business

-Election of board officers for the 2025 term will take place at the annual meeting in December.

-All current officers indicated their willingness to serve another term in 2025.

President Machado announced the next board meeting will take place as previously scheduled via Zoom on December 9 at 7 pm PST.

Machado adjourned the meeting at 7:47 pm PST.

Respectfully submitted by Dave Putnam on November 20, 2024.