

AEP Board Meeting Minutes From May 21, 2008

Attendees: Kerri Mikkelsen Rose, Trevor Macenski, Emily Keller, Wendy Haydon, Janet Dallas, Jennifer Donovan, Kristie Ehrhardt, Matt Franck, and Bruce Webb via telephone

Recorder: Wendy

Meeting began: 11:30 a.m.

Location: PBS&J

Meeting adjourned: 1:00 p.m.

I. Welcome/Introductions

A. Welcome to all.

II. Minutes (April)

A. No changes made to the Minutes; they were approved as-is.

III. Treasurer's Report

A. Checking - \$12,236.99

B. Savings - \$7,218.16

C. CD - \$5,148.65

D. Total - \$24,603.80

IV. Business

Chapter Director Report: Marc will take over the state website maintenance. The agenda for the July Summit is not available yet. Board members who attend will have one night lodging and airfare paid for by the State Board.

A. **Legislative Liaison:** Matt will keep in contact with Bruce Webb re: the next legislative update to include in the next newsletter.

B. **Website:** There are some new sponsorships on the website. A rideshare board for attending the monthly luncheons and the Spring and Fall workshops will be added to the website; **Kerri** will discuss this with Marc. The 2009 scholarship information is being finalized, and **Trevor/Kristin** will send it to Marc soon to post on the website.

V. Newsletter:

A. The next newsletter is expected to be released electronically on May 23. The June newsletter is expected to be released in mid-June.

B. Matt will solicit an article from Kerri for the newsletter and/or the website regarding "where your dues go".

VI. Membership Update

A. There are 235 chapter members. 9 members are new, 21 are renewals, and 6 members did not renew. **Christy** will follow-up with the non-renewing members in an attempt to re-gain membership; **Christy** is also tracking which members attend luncheons and mixers. There are problems with the tracking of existing, renewing, and non-renewing members.

B. There were questions discussed such as (1) if you pay your renewal early or late, does the renewal date change from the previous year? **Kerri** will check on this. Is it possible to change to electronic reminders for renewal instead of the numerous reminders (including "Past Due" reminders that are sent prior to memberships expiring) that are sent to members via U. S. mail.

VII. Liaison

- A. APA, in conjunction with other professional societies, is holding six informative meetings between June and November 2008 that anyone can attend. A flyer describing these meetings was distributed via email. **This flyer may be something that we will want to have Marc post on the website?**

VII. Programs

- A. The April 26 Jepson Prairie Preserve guided tour was a success! There were approximately 15 attendees. Jim Steinert was the docent who lead the tour. A variety of wildlife was seen.
- B. The May 16 CEQA Workshop had low attendance (55 attendees). It was held at KVIE, and went well. Trevor suggested that the demographic data from the workshop evaluation form be tracked on the website or in the newsletter.
- C. There are 26 RSVPs to date for the May 28 mixer at River City Brewing Company.
- D. Jim Moose will be the speaker at the June 25 luncheon to be held at Casa Gardens on Sutterville Road. Topic is the Administrative Record. This will be the first opportunity for attendees to register through the Superior California website. **Jennifer** will check with Marc regarding whether it is possible to pay the registration fee through the website. **Emily** will check on setting up Paypal, and also the VISA card from the Bank.
- E. **Kristie** is checking with Grady regarding an upcoming wine tasting trip (July) possibly to Amador County. The Sacramento Convention Center would be the pickup location.
- F. **Janet** is working on a half-day NEPA workshop to be held in August at a location to be determined. Possibly to be held on a Wednesday or Thursday the week before Labor Day weekend. Al Herson will be the primary speaker, with Alicia Guerra and Ken Bogdan also speaking.
- G. No update on the September program; possibly a BBQ with a biologist talk.
- H. **Janet** is working on the Fall CEQA Alternatives workshop to be held in the October 27 – November 14 timeframe, at a location to be determined.
- I. December: Holiday mixer at a location to be determined.

VIII. Student Liaison

- A. The paid applications for the two 2008 scholarship winners were submitted to Emily.
- B. The letters to the non-winners of the 2008 scholarships were sent.
- C. A presentation regarding AEP will be given to UCD before Christmas 2008.
- D. **Trevor/Kristin** will submit a 2009 scholarship article to Matt for the newsletter.
- E. Prior to today's board meeting, Kristin emailed the draft 2009 scholarship documents to all board members and requested comments. **Board members** should submit comments to Trevor/Kristin as soon as possible.
- F. A woman from Chico (adjunct CSUC member?) is interested in starting a student AEP chapter in Chico.

IX. Next Meeting

- A. The next meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. at Kristie's office (Wildlands, Inc.).
- B. **Kristie** will email the board members with a request to RSVP to the meeting for lunch planning purposes around June 6, 2008.

C. Address:
Wildlands, Inc.
3855 Atherton Road
Rocklin, CA 95765
916-435-3555 (Kristie)

Directions to Wildlands, Inc.:

I-80 east toward Reno
SR 65 north toward Lincoln/Marysville – go 5.2 miles
Right on Sunset Blvd – go 0.4 mile
Right on Atherton Road – go 0.3 mile