

Sacramento Area Creeks Council
Monday, April 23, 2012
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order, Review agenda & minutes (6:35)

Present: Steve Mayer, Chad Rinde, Bill Templin, Peter tucker, Alta Tura.

We started the meeting with inventory of the borrowed grabbers. Thank you!

2. Approve minutes: Secretary is absent. No minutes to approve.

3. Treasurer's report: Current balance is \$43,765.97. Most Creek Week sponsor money has been received. Final donation from Sacramento Urban Creeks Council of \$17,438.38. Most expenditures were for Creek Week. Alta reports we came very close to staying within the Creek Week budget this year. Chad will submit our tax return by the May 15 deadline.

4. Old Business & Committee Reports 7:15– 8:00

- a) Newsletter – Next issue will be on Creek Week and Bonnie's article. Bill will write an article for fall on rain gauge stations.
- b) Creek Week – Another successful year. Final report, data entry of volunteers, updates to Facebook Page and web sites, etc. still to be done. Steve reports 50 volunteers cleaned at McClellan. 15 cubic yards. Chad reported a good turnout at Cal Expo Floodplain. One volunteer unknowingly had a rattlesnake in their garbage bag. Bill reported about 65 volunteers at ARC. ARC had bins out for the garbage – 2+ were filled. Suggestions that we solicit sponsorship from Safeway, B of A, Starbucks and SEIU.
- c) \$2,000 Weed Management Area Steelhead Creek Project & Arundo Removal Project along San Juan Creek – After checks are written to Frank Wallace and John Rusmore, there will be no money left for SACC.
- d) Exhibit – Girl Scouts, April 21, Steve & Alta; Crocker, May 10, Eric; Walk On the Wild Side, May 19, Alta & Bonnie. Review the exhibit & take suggestions for improvements.
- e) South Sacramento HCP update – Continued slow progress.
- f) Dry Creek tributary in Antelope –Tree planting site for Antelope HS – Alta reports that we are working with Katie Cantrell of Antelope High, Gregg Bates of Dry Creek Conservancy, the Tree Foundation and now Mike Dunphy of Fish & Wildlife Service. The County has approved the planting plan in principle, but we continue to work on getting final permissions from the County
- g) Stock Ranch Nature Area along Arcade Creek – Field trip with Kingswood 7th grade students to culminate our grant to them – Frank & Alta will participate.
- h) Rose Foundation Grant for environmental activities that benefit Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta & its watershed (from citizens' lawsuit settlement over SASD sewer overflows) – the grant pool is now shown on the Rose Foundation web site. We could apply for Adopt-A-Creek.

Sub-committee reports:

- Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring – About 12 groups did WQ monitoring for Creek Week. Employees from ERM did WQ testing at the Tenaya site on Steelhead Creek. Entrix field trip included water monitoring.

- Web site – Peter reports 200 groups volunteered for Creek Week creekweek.net. We will begin working with Melissa on reengineering creekweek.net for Drupal.
- Adopt-A-Creek – Steve will check in with Bonnie.

5. New Business - None

6. Next Board Meeting Date – Monday, May 21, 2012 at 6:30.

7. Adjournment (8:00)