

Sacramento Area Creeks Council
Monday, November 18, 2013
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by Alta at 6:35

Board members present: Alta Tura, Bill Templin, Bonnie Ross, Peter Tucker, Steve Mayer

2. No minutes from October 21, 2013

3. Treasurer's report – Chad not present, no report.

4. Old Business & Committee Reports

- a. Creek Week Report. Next planning meeting is November 21. Sponsor letters have mostly been sent, grants applied for. Publicity committee meets Wednesday evening.
- b. Hydromodification Plan for Sacramento Region – No updates. Alta to check with Gen Sparks.
- c. South Sacramento HCP update – LAFCo's recent denial of Elk Grove SOI increase will help with land inventory and land prices for HCP habitat preserves.
- d. Friends of Dry Creek Parkway update – Charlea is asking for the loan of a weed wrench. We will loan them an old Weed Warrior wrench.
- e. Citrus Heights Creek Corridor Trail Project – See <http://www.citrusheights.net/home/index.asp?page=1570>
- f. Antelope Sierra Creek restoration area update –Alta. Wildflower plugs will go in on November 21. Other maintenance on that day.
- g. Cruise the Creek report –November 16 from noon until 2:00. SACC, as a partner, provided liability coverage and refreshments. Alta sent an eblast to our Elk Grove email list. 14 people attended.
- h. Plant a Prairie report – Nov 1 event went well. SACC purchased \$100 in donuts. 140 students did native grass and acorn plantings. Alta led clean-up crew to remove lots of large debris. PG&E provided excellent support.
- i. Exhibit – Nothing to report
- j. Plan for recruiting new SACC president –Targeted search for new board members with a strategic message will be developed for use by the nominating committee. We need to review & prioritize our scope of work and consider what work might be jettisoned.

Sub-committee reports:

- Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring – Bill reports DWR employees may help Girl Scouts and bring their own equipment for Creek Week water monitoring. Bill will try to organize a Creek Week activity before April 12 that could serve as training and interpretation.
- Web site – Peter reports that he is setting up Creek Week volunteer registration using EventBrite. He is working with Susan Roberts for the Delta volunteers and will cover a few more areas for a 2014 pilot. Bill would like a map on the Creek Week web site that shows all clean-up sites.

- Adopt-A-Creek – Alta. Nothing new to report.

5. New Business 7:30 – 8:00

- a) Nominating committee – Steve, Bonnie and Alta. Alta will send a draft phone script for Steve to refine.
- b) Budget – Motion by Bill, Peter 2. Alta is authorized to spend up to \$5,000 yearly for the services of professional consultants, such as Uptown Studios, to help us expand, maintain and enhance our social media presence. Approved 5-0.
- c) Regional Watershed Collaborative – The group wants to continue exploring the possibility with Dry Creek Conservancy and Laguna Creek Watershed Council. We would like to meet with John Williams to find out what would be needed to expand the Roseville program into Sacramento County. What does he need from us so that we can move forward with a project proposal that could be used to seek grant funding? Alta will invite John to our next board meeting.

6. Next Board Meeting Date – Monday, December 16

7. Adjournment (8:00)