



Occidental Community Council Minutes July 17, 2010

PRESENT: Mary Szecsey, Sherry Huss, Dominique Solieau-McPherson, Diane Masura, Fawn Nekton, Felicity Hand (YMCA), Benjamynn Gabriel, Kaye Martin and Candi Penn.

Meeting was called to order at 10:30 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes were corrected, reviewed and approved.

MEMBERSHIP: No new memberships

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

July 18 – Occidental Fireman’s BBQ and OCA Family Fun Day
OCA break-ins with minor vandalism – sheriff investigating.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Budget Report submitted by Dominique, based on \$12,000.

Rebecca Aff is authorized to be a signator on the OCC bank account as new Treasurer, confirmed at the May 15th OCC Board Meeting.

Thanks to Dominique for all of her contributions over the years and her last stint as Treasurer of The Occidental Community Council. And, a welcome to Rebecca Aff, our new Treasurer (voted in on 6/19/2010).

WEBSITE: **a).** Craft Faire Vendor Invitation is posted. **b).** “OCC Events” Google Calendar is on the OCC website. Local events can be sent to oop2010@comcast.net. Local Reps from non-profits can post events once approved to share editing. (OCA, RAC, OAEC, ARK, Salmon Creek Watershed, etc.) **c).** Minutes from the Occidental and Camp Meeker Fire Districts could be posted. Candi will pursue.

CRAFTS FAIRE:

Promotion: Fawn agreed to recruit Jenny to create a special 25th Crafts Faire poster.

Large signs and the Santa suit are in storage room of the Community Center.

Vendors: Dominique will send vendor invitations. Applications are sent to occcraft@sonic.net and will be reviewed in September.

Kaye Martin will invite the CERES Project to prepare and serve food. They will pay for a booth space. Kaye will also assist in the Bake Sale set up with the school kids. More tables for eating is a good idea and will be incorporated in the space plan.

Doris Murphy was a Founder of the OCC and will be honored at the event.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

The Senior Dining program sent a thank you and included gratitude for OCC funding in their Newsletter.

RESOURCE COMMITTEE: A Roofing Project Request is expected from St. Phillips church next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

OCC Brochure is on hold. Candi will resume work on it. See June Minutes for details.

SCHOOLS:

Interviews with the Hiring Committee for a new Superintendent are scheduled for Aug. 10th.

David Wheeler is the interim Supt. until December. 10 Applications from locals have been received. Two or three candidates will go to the School Board on Aug. 17th.

Saturday, July 24th - 9am, is the Community Build for the Playground. New Benches are planned.

THE "Y":

a) Rentals are needed. It was recommended a large sign "RENT ME" be hung on the building, with a phone number. Felicity YMCA Rep. can be reached at fliphand@msn.com.

HEALTH CENTER: National Health Center Week begins August 9th.

Focus is on Reform, Education and Benefits.

Russian River Health Center's 37th birthday celebration is Friday, August 13th from 4 to 7pm.

OCCIDENTAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (OEP):

Funds have been retained for the development of future classes, including CPR/First Aid, CERT Training, Map Your Neighborhood Program, etc. Jane Barry of the West Co. Health Center is working on getting funding for an Occidental Emergency Preparedness Trailer. Guerneville has their funding now, with the help of FEMA.

COMMUNITY: The Occidental Choir Concert is scheduled after the Faire and there may be additional programming during the day of the event – details to be coordinated.

Occidental is featured in SUNSET Magazine's August issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.

Next Meeting: Saturday, Aug. 21, 2010, 10:30 am