



## Occidental Community Council Minutes – February 18, 2012

**PRESENT:** Diane Masura, Heidi McNeal, Fawn Nekton, Candi Penn

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Yes.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Renewals are being sent to members.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Fish are jumping in Camp Meeker and Salmon Creek. Fool's Parade is scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup> downtown Occidental, sponsored by OCA. Petitions for GMO Labeling legislation are available in front of the Bohemian Market. OCSD Meeting on Tuesday night will include a discussion and presentation on the Sewer System, Featuring Supervisor Efren Carillo and representatives from the Water District Agency.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Balance in account: \$10,575.57

**WEBSITE:** Updated monthly.

**CRAFTS FAIRE:** Diane prepared a map of the vendor spaces in the Community Center. She and Candi will work on a final draft to be included with the revised Vendor Application. Recommendations and input from past vendors are welcome. By June these items will be finalized and offered to the public on the OCC website.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:**

A request for funds for propane was received and forwarded to the Resource Fund Committee. River Children's Services newsletter was received.

**RESOURCE COMMITTEE:**

Refurbishing/Renewing the Mural at the Hardware Store is being considered. We await request for any funding to help with this project.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Fawn proposed we look into installing two dog stations at either end of town. Research will be done and brought back to the next meeting.

**SCHOOLS:** Salmon Creek Jr. High is putting on the play "Arthur and Guinevere" March 3-4 & 9-10. Diane reported that Salmon Education at the K-3 levels is moving forward. Jane Kleimo is retiring next year, and Allison, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade temporary teacher, may move to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade with continuing environmental support. Friday morning breakfasts are available to the public. Arrive at 7:45am, check in at the office and support the garden to table program. Three students from Salmon Creek were on the team that went to the State Soccer Championships. The portable classrooms will be replaced this summer. Bids are being taken now for the new building.

**THE "Y":** Heidi McNeal reported on Save the Occidental Community Center (StOCC).

There is a some talk about a benefactor for remodeling ideas, and a county meeting with Carol Hart of Parks and Recreation upcoming that we will soon hear about.

Current Usage and Schedule is available at <http://www.scfymca.org/aboutextension.php>

**HEALTH CENTER:** No updates.

**OCCIDENTAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (OEP):** No updates.

**KOWS:** Fawn volunteered to create several new PSA's to be used for the radio programming.

One will feature ongoing projects like the OEP, Senior Lunch, Young Writers Contest, and the Fool's Parade. Another would feature past projects such as the Tennis Court improvements, the school playground, St. Philips Roof Fund, Signage for the OCC website, Salmon Creek Water Monitoring, and the upgrade of emergency equipment at KOWS.fm.

**COMMUNITY:** We want to support having some drought resistant plants put in downtown to replace the shrubs that were removed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23am.

**Next Meeting:** Saturday, March 17, 2012 at 10:30am at the Occidental Community Center.