

Occidental Community Council Minutes - Sept. 21, 2013

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Unanimous.

ATTENDANCE:

Diane Masura, Fawn Nekton, Carolyn Neiman, Candi Penn, Mary Szecsey, Donald True **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Open House at Prasada – Saturday, Sept. 21st. 10am – 10pm. A new Arts, Music, Healing and Yoga Studio in the Harmony Village. www.JenniferMazzuco.com Community Acupuncture will be available on Sundays 11am to 3pm Upstairs at the Altamont. October 5th is Levi's GranFondo Cycling Event. Be aware of Road Closures that day! Finley Park in Santa Rosa is the starting and end point with festivities all day. 7,500 riders! Money is raised for charities, including paving of potholes!

Art Trails is coming in October.

Check out the OCC CALENDAR for more events and ongoing classes at:

http://www.occidental-ca.org

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$7,768.11

WEB SITE: Site hosting renewal paid; thanks to Sherry Huss!

CRAFTS FAIRE: DECEMBER 7 & 8, 2013

Jury Process for Vendors takes place today after the meeting.

Fawn will talk to Kaye about Food vendor finalization.

Jenny will design the postcards and posters this year again. Fawn will circulate several past designs for input from the council on a choice for an edited version this year. Carolyn has entered all vendors, past and present into the Sonic Address Book, and will

be emailing acceptance notices, and depositing checks.

Lobby will be set up as community info center with a new OCC Poster and Popcorn Station. Raffle donations will be solicited from local businesses by Candi & Diane in Oct. & Nov. OCA has contributed a \$50 Membership for the Raffle.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Received: Newsletters from Children's Services, WCCS, and Sebastopol Sr. Center.

Redwood Arts Council – New Season Notice and Request for Donation.

RESOURCE COMMITTEE: HUSD and OHC funds are good.

NEW BUSINESS:

\$100 Donation to WCCS Senior Resource Center for Occidental Café approved unanimously. The Council unanimously voted to order Flower Bulbs to plant in the downtown beds, with arrangements to be made for planting.

OLD BUSINESS: Doggie Poop Station has arrived and will be put up by Chris Henley.

SCHOOLS: Enrollment at 221. 25 in the TK. 7 & 8 grades are smaller than others. Fawn explained the transition to Common Core curriculums. Budget cuts loom for all schools.

THE "Y" / COMMUNITY CENTER:

Nancy Collins is preparing an operating agreement, which will provide additional use for the venue, including kitchen rental and events. Insurance questions are being worked on.

HEALTH CENTER: A Forum on the Affordable Care Program will be held in Occidental to provide a venue for the public to learn about and ask questions of health professionals. It is planned for December 3rd, Tuesday, at 6pm at the Environmental Center at HUSD. (OCC will serve refreshments.)

KOWS: A November fundraiser is planned. TBA.

A meeting with OAEC verified their concern/help with the transition to a new 501.c3 for the station management. Plans for the antenna and transmitter to be relocated to Cherry Ridge is in the works, to increase the range of broadcasts.

COMMUNITY: The County has abandoned the 2nd pond plan for Water Treatment. The model based on a facility in Ferndale which allows tertiary water to be put back into the creek is being considered. It would be less expensive and can be added to the existing system. Congratulations to all the community involvement and work on this!

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50am.

Next meeting is Saturday, Oct. 19, 2013 at 10:30am at the Occidental Community Center.