



Occidental Community Council Minutes – January 17, 2016

PRESENT: Kaye Martin, Diane Masura, Rachael Mave, Fawn Nekton, MacKenzie Nekton, Carolyn Neiman, Candi Penn, and Mary Szecsey.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Yes.

MEMBERSHIP: Dues for 2016 were collected and an announcement will be sent out.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OCCAC Meetings were changed to Saturdays because of the football games.

#2 Meeting: Jan. 23rd. 1 pm to 3pm at the Community Center.

#3 Meeting: Feb. 6th. 1 pm to 3pm at the Community Center.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jan. Balance \$14,372.51

Carolyn Neiman, Treasurer, has done a great job and will be reimbursed for any expenses. (stamps, printer ink, paper, etc.)

Crafts Faire Financial Report: Income \$8206.22, Expenses: \$1616.34, Net: \$6589.88

2015 Expense Report presented: Total Spending - \$6,547.97

2016 Budget Proposal Approved: 7.5% Admin/Website, 10% Resource Fund, 20% Donations, 15% On-going Projects, 32.5% New Projects, 15% Crafts Faire

CRAFTS FAIRE: Wrap-up

Buy Small Gazette Ad next year, or maybe a group Ad with other Craft Faires the same weekend.

Kids working were great: Food and Popcorn, Bake Sale.

Popcorn bags donated from Video Store. Small machine did not work.

Soup (12 pots full donated) & Bread (donated) were big hit.

(Fawn has a freezer for early prep of soups.)

Baked goods (scones, etc.) were suggested for morning sales (vendors & visitors) next year.

Drinks should be \$2 and include Hot Tea, Cider, and Cocoa.

Upstairs Room needs better decorations. (Tinsel with lights, Colored flood lights, fabric on ceiling)

Peru Crafts would like to be on the main floor next year.

PK Dolls payment will be applied to next year's event.

Jungle Maiden moved indoors. (Paid \$75 for outdoor space.)

Ceramics vendor requested ½ refund because of cold. No Refunds is our policy.

(There will be a warning posted about this space being possibly cold and windy.)

(Suggestion for a U shaped set up so people can walk into the space.)

Signage needs to be expanded and put up earlier.

WEBSITE: Traffic Report. Average daily hits in Dec: 4209.

We will feature the Community Center Meetings with link and photo of a rendering.

Nadja will be paid \$300 for six months of web management.

Candi will update the 2015 Accomplishments list.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Senior Resource Center Newsletter – Oct. Scoop
OCA & other events posted on the OCC Calendar (Google).
Rachael Maves, Supt. Harmony Union, added to OCC Email List.
PO Box fees Paid: \$60 for the year.
2016 Matching Grant from Sonoma County – Urban Open Space Projects
Redwood Credit Union Fire Relief Fund Thank You Letter (\$500)
Ocean Song Donation Request. \$100 Approved.

RESOURCE COMMITTEE: School may need refill. Rachael will check.

NEW BUSINESS: Suggested projects:

Town Mural updated on Bohemian market.
Occidental History and Things to Do in the Area – on website and printed pamphlet.
MacKenzie suggested students participate and use computer program “Blurb”.

SCHOOLS: Donated Raffle Tickets from Video Store.

Diane mentioned that After School Activities needs updating for the HUSD News.

THE “Y”: OCCAC Meeting was held January 10th – Presentations.

Four schemes available on website: www.occidentalcommunitycenter.org

Next Meeting for DISCUSSION: Saturday, January 23th, 1 – 3pm – Community Center

Options for additions / changes: playground, bathrooms, bocci courts, after school programs,
Adult education classes, new parking lot across the street, sports.

#3 Meeting: Saturday, February 6th, 1 – 3pm – Community Center

HEALTH CENTER:

The fire damaged the Guerneville Clinic Christmas Day, so it will be torn down and a new one will be built. Patients are continuing to receive care at a Mobile Van or sent to two clinics in Sebastopol. In Feb/March a modular clinic will be ready. Insurance will cover everything. The Homeless grant will be used for a temporary site and when the county decides on a location for their Homeless services, a permanent building will be included there.

COMMUNITY:

Dec. Community Notes by Diane Masura. Great monthly synopsis of community organizations!

OCSD Minutes from Sept. & Oct. 2015 – posted online.

The Watershed Council posted a new Timeline on the town Kiosk.

There is an extensive History of Occidental and West County on the Watershed Council website.

Next Meeting: February 20th, 10:30 am - Occidental Community Center