



Occidental Community Council Minutes – January 19, 2019

PRESENT: Gino Gaffney, John Greaves, Jenny Lynn Hall, Clay Inthepottershands, Kaye Martin, Diane Masura, Carolyn Neiman, Fawn Nekton, Candi Penn, Yvette Reynolds, and Paul Stange.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Yes.

MEMBERSHIP: Yearly Dues are due. \$10 Active (meeting attendance), \$25 Supporting Members.
A notice will be sent to all members via email by Carolyn.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The salmon are jumping! See them at the Observation Deck at Harmony Union School.

Student Art Show is currently at the OCA Gallery.

January 25th – Movie Night at OCA.

Jan. 23 at OCA. 4pm Bohemian Corridor Meeting – Every 4th Wednesday. Next one: Feb. 27th.

Feb. 22: Community Center Gym Floor Grant results due.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

January Financial Report by Carolyn with Balance: \$17,579.55

Financial Reports by Carolyn:

2018 Expense Report - \$7,221.12 (72.2% of Proposed Budget Spent)

2019 Budget Proposal: VOTE passed: Increase budget to \$15,000.

VOTE passed: Percentages stay the same.

VOTE passed: New Projects will include 30% for Capital Projects. (ie. field, tennis court, bathrooms)

Craft Faire Report – Net Income: \$5,864.49

KIOSK Grant Money has been received for Second Part of Project, and will go to ECO RING.

WEBSITE:

WebTraffic Monthly Report: 6552 hits.

Diane will send to website manager Edward Seaton: OCC Minutes, Community Notes, OCSD Minutes, and Fire Report.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Candi announced she is retiring.

Fawn will check the mail and email.

Diane will post on the Downtown Bulletin Board.

John will update the online Calendar.

Any volunteers to take minutes and send to members?

The OCC Calendar has been updated. OCA events received and posted. School events too.

West County Community Services – Senior Center Newsletter received.

Suggestion for new project emailed from OCA: Water Fountain at Community Center.

Post Office Box Renewal Received: \$62.00 for the year. Carolyn will pay it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Paint the Community Center. Tabled until good weather and volunteers available.

Public Toilet: Tabled

OCC Brochures ordered from Vistaprint.com. \$164.34 reimbursed Shyla Penn.

Paul has asked that the Community Center Kitchen Floor be looked at – health hazard.

HOLIDAY CRAFTS FAIRE: Financial Report and Evaluation of event.

Vendors: Many positive responses and thanks. Our booth spaces are low cost comparatively.

Parking: A Map will be created and given to Vendors to park across the street North of the Vet.
An Assistant would be wise to help with vendor load-in on Sat. morning.

Signs: The sign distribution with Kelly was successful. Yard signs worked.
Next year we will order more large durable signs to be able to reuse them.

Diane suggested looking at the type of sign OCA is now using that is changeable.

Publicity: Three postcards (OCC, Choir, Merchants) cost extra this year, and for the future we will be working together again with one mailing and distribution plan. Radio blog was good.

Food/Kitchen: Need to provide more help for Kaye next year. Excellent food. Donations great.

We may offer bakery goods for sale to vendors early Sat. morning along with free coffee.

Popcorn Table: We need people to be there.

Decorating: The more help, the better.

Raffle Prizes: Our low booth rental includes a donation by vendors, which allows people to see the offerings in one place on the Raffle Tables, and to ask where each artist is located.

Santa: Good effort on Saturday between Faire and Downtown. Need Santa for Sunday.

Cleaning: More help could be used. James Nekton helped Gino.

Refrigerator: Was repaired after commendable efforts on Paul, Diane and Trudy's parts!

(And a small fridge/freezer has been provided the After School YMCA Daycare)

Internet Connection Needed for Transactions. We think the Community Center should have one, for the safety of the people who use the building.

John told us we can RENT an Xfinity Hot Spot, which would work well.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Water Fountain suggestion by OCA upon a tennis family wondering about water availability.

Bike Rack suggested by Clay in front of the Bohemian Market where a curb is dangerous.

\$300 for one that holds 6 Bikes (online) Would replace orange barriers there now.

SCHOOLS:

Willy Wonka and The Chocolate Factory is the Spring School Play in March.

VOTE: \$500 was APPROVED for the School Resource Fund, for Kaye Martin to manage.

COMMUNITY: Diane's monthly Community Notes will be posted Downtown and on OCC website.

Including: Bohemian Corridor, Harmony Union School, KOWS 92.5, Occidental Arts & Ecology Center, Occidental Center for the Arts, Occidental Community Center Advisory Council, Occidental Community Council, Occidental Community Choir, Occidental Community Service District (Fire/Water), Salmon Creek Watershed Council, West County Occidental Health Center, and YMCA.

FIRE SAFETY COUNCIL: Occidental & Camp Meeker formed.

Paul, Diane, and Jenny Lynn attended. Sub-groups are being organized: Evacuation. Planning.

Assessment, and Notification. Jenny Lynn has volunteered to be a Neighborhood Leader.

BOHEMIAN CORRIDOR: Occidental Merchants Group developed an Organization: Bohemian-Corridor.

Marketing/Tourism, Infrastructure, and Communication. Carol Schmitt and Fawn are members.

Multiple agenda items are impactful for both organizations, so cooperation is key. TBD.

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Next Meeting: Saturday, February 16, 2019 - 10:30 am - Occidental Community Center