



## **Occidental Community Council Minutes for September 20, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Sherry Huss, Becky Ennis, Fawn Nekton, Kaye Martin, Jennifer Nichols, Dominique Soileau and guests Andrea Doffing and Jeremy Hodgdon. Vice-President Jennifer Nichols called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from the August 2008 monthly meeting were reviewed and approved.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Shari Kovner will become an Associate Member.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:** a). The ARK will hold a huge rummage sale on 9/27 at the school, b). Girl Start Group will have a program on 9/27 at 7pm – "Light the Night" Leukemia Fundraiser, c). The Girl Scouts will be holding a benefit for the Donovan family on 9/26, d). ribbon cutting ceremonies for the Salmon Creek Falls Environmental Center have been rescheduled and will take place in Spring 2009 e). KOWS Radio will hold a fundraiser on October 26<sup>th</sup> at the Occidental Community Center, f). Outdoor Cobb Oven building is planned at Salmon Creek School and g). the Harvest Festival is scheduled for October 17th

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Submitted by Dominique (see below).

**Web Site:** a). Everett and Susan are now getting information from the school b). We should add OBFM's Harvest Market Festival to the OCC website, c). it was suggested that the school should send a note out to parents about the website – and maybe Susan could put together a flier advertising the Occidental Community Council and website

**CRAFTS FAIRE:** a). Food – the Bake Sale area will be coordinated by the Salmon Creek School and The Occidental Y will be handling the kitchen and working with Nancy Collins from Bohemian Buffet, c). Fawn to check with the school to see if the students are working on the sandwich board signs (we are proposing making a donation of \$250 to the Salmon Creek Student Council for the creation and painting of 10 sandwich board signs, d). Sherry is to get a press release out the first part of October, e). the application for vendors will be left online and a waiting list will be started f). the Raffle will be handled by Mary (and we will focus on donations from participating vendors and local businesses)

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** No updates.

**RESOURCE COMMITTEE:** No updates.

**PR & CORRESPONDENCE:** No updates

**NEW BUSINESS:** a). Candidates night was a success with over 80 attendees showing up to meet, greet and ask questions of the 2 candidates, b). A motion was made and approved to set aside \$1,000 in funds for the Occidental Y to use for local children for afterschool programs – Becky will distribute the funds, c). Kaye will make another proposal at next months meeting to help out a couple of local families in need, d). Andrea Doffing (a local dance teacher and Y instructor) made a proposal to the OCC to help fund the Dance Studio project (converting the side room at the Y in to a dance studio) and will follow up with an updated proposal at next months meeting (reducing costs, matching funds, etc.) as the OCC generally supports the program but believes that additional funding sources are needed - Andrea to do more research and follow up with a revised program at an upcoming meeting

**SCHOOLS:** a). The current board will remain intact and we will benefit from continued leadership for the next 2 years b). the Renaissance Friday program will start again in 2009 – more details to follow

**THE "Y":** a). The after school program is going well and 2 new positions are opening, b). Halloween festivities are in the works this year – and there will be a parade downtown with the students from Salmon Creek School (details to follow, but the plan is to bus the students to the Health Center on Friday afternoon for them to participate in the parade, and then roll in to the Halloween Carnival at the Y (tentatively scheduled from 5-7pm) – more information to follow and the Y to connect with the school and Occidental Bohemian Farmers Market

**HEALTH CENTER:** a). Everything is going well and getting better (online medical record program and the Health Center is now seeing more people

**COMMUNITY:** Remember to support the weekly Occidental Farmers Market on Friday afternoons - 4pm – dusk – starting June 6<sup>th</sup> and running through October 31<sup>st</sup>. The Occidental Bohemian Farmers Market will be holding their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Occidental Harvest Market Festival on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008 – for more information, or to download the Scarecrow Contest Form, or posters – go to:

<http://www.occidentalfarmersmarket.com/events.html>

**Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 pm.**

Next meeting is Saturday, September 18, 2008 at 10:30am at the Occidental Community Center.

**Treasurer's Report for September 20, 2008**

**Balance as of August 16, 2008: \$7,146.85**

***Disbursements:***

Check #361 Deborah North – May – August Fees: \$260.00

Check #362 Stamps: \$8.40

***Total Disbursements: \$ 268.40***

***Deposits:***

\$ 0.00

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**Balance as of September 20, 2008: \$6,878.45**