

FES BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 4, 1999

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Place: FES Office, San Simeon

Present: Ray Easton, Bill Raver, Susan McDonald, Ann Grossman, Kathy Brown.

Treasurer's Report

As Kerri was out of town, there was no report given.

Regular Meeting Dates

The third Wednesday of the month, at 5:00 p.m. was set up as a quarterly meeting date. The next scheduled meeting date will be Sept. 22, 1999, at 5:00 p.m. at the FES Office in San Simeon.

Addition of New Board Members

Susan suggested adding new members to the Board, two from the community and two docents. She asked each of us to bring four nominations for the Board to the next meeting.

Newsletters

A discussion was held regarding corporate sponsorship of our newsletter.

Grant Applications

Susan applied for a Visitor Services Grant for \$1,000 from SLO County. A second version for Grant for Coastal Resources Agency for \$7500 was also applied for. Announcements for the awarding of the grants usually takes place in Fall-late December.

Docent Appreciation Dinner

The date selected is Oct. 2, at the Cambria Vets Hall. Dinner provided by Ian McPhee, Contra Dance caller available. The party to be held between 6:00 and 11:00 p.m. with a no host bar and dinner, followed by awards and the dance. There is no cost for use of the Vets Hall, the caller charges \$250. and Ian McPhee will charge \$10 per person for a Tri Tip/Chicken Dinner accompanied by a green salad. Invited guests to include docent and guest. Awards to recognize hours given by docents.

Fall Training/Refresher Course

The training will begin the 23rd of October, tied in with a refresher course for current docents. The training should end in November. Susan is hoping for a class of approximately 50 new docents. She would also like to include fisherman and wind surfers as part of the class. The new docents would accompany mentor docents on the site for 3 weeks. The refresher course will include Greg Oliver, UC Santa Cruz Researcher who will charge a minimum stipend. A check off sheet for mentors will be developed by the Training Committee who will meet on August 15.

Cell Phone

A cell phone is needed at the site again in order to call the office if situation at the site gets out of hand.

Tour bus Guidelines

Mike Levy and Elizabeth Packard are working on a series of guidelines for this operation.

Hearst Property

Steve Hearst is the new manager or overseer for the ranch property. A letter will be written to him to offer our services and discuss the time of year and hours we will be willing to provide guides on that site with the Hearst Corp. permission.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Brown, Secretary