

Southern California Society of American Foresters
Executive Committee Meeting/ Conference Call
February 09, 2009

Minutes

In Attendance: Gubrud (Chair), Whitney (Chair Elect), Conn, Lopez, Nickels, Todd, Hanna, Bryant, Fritz

Opening Comments:

Rain, rain everywhere!!

Officer Reports:

Chair Elect (Dave Whitney):

National would like a feel of who is going to the Leadership Academy. National may cancel if there is not enough participation. We are going to send Chair-Elect, Dave Whitney, to the Leadership Academy, if it is not canceled. The chapter would like cover at least the cost of registration and possibly transportation and lodging. Dave has projected that airfare to Spokane Washington is approximately \$450, lodging is \$129 x 3= \$450, and registration is \$ 325. We will discuss how much is appropriate to give to Dave to help pay for the Leadership Academy on March 16, 2009.

Secretary:

Minutes for the December and January Executive Committee Meeting are complete and will be motioned for approval on March 16.

Committee Reports:

Teller (Hanna):

Hanna has received the check worth \$2,839.23 from National, reimbursing the Chapter for co-hosting the National Conference.

A summary of 2008 budget is being worked on by Hanna and will be available soon. She is also working on a proposed 2009 budget.

Education/ C.F.E (Todd):

Once a final agenda is made for the Spring Meeting, John Todd will figure how much educational credit will be available.

Communication/ *Sundial* (J. Lopez):

Ballot for chair-elect Dave Whitney, is complete and will be e-mailed to everyone. For those who do not have e-mail, a paper ballot will be sent through the US mail.

J. Lopez will send out a link to the bylaws, so that it can be reviewed. Voting to accept the new bylaws is scheduled for March 16, 2009.

Chapter Reports:

San Gabriel:

A State Park Interpreter has been asked to give a tour of the Tejon State Park. The tour will be on Saturday July 18 from 10-noon. Bring a sack lunch. A discussion session might be taking place after the tour. Details are still being worked out.

New Business:

A reminder to everyone that with the New Year a renewal of the chapter dues is due.

Old Business:

Spring meeting is April 24-25. John Todd, Dave Whitney, and John Bryant are working on a final schedule. We are planning for 20-40 participants.

Because of the economic times some ideas were brought up:

- 1) have the registration cover our cost of hosting the meeting- break even
- 2) not to have a banquet but an informal dinner instead
- 3) is having Friday off as well as doing an overnight to much time off?

We will discuss and finalize the Spring meeting on March 16, 2009.

2009 Calendar:

Next EC Meeting – March 16, 2009

Environmental Education Fair – March 14, 2009

SoCal SAF Spring Meeting (Santa Barbara) – April 24-25, 2009

San Gabriel Chapter Day trip to Fort Tejon- July 18, 2009

SAF National Convention (Orlando, FL) – Sept. 30 – Oct. 4, 2009

Next Meeting:

The next Executive Committee Meeting Conference call is scheduled for March 16, 2009 at 0900 hours. Communications Chair J. Lopez will provide conference call details.

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Participation Code: 606264

Meeting adjourned at 1000 hours

Respectfully submitted by,
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SoCal SAF Secretary