



Rogue Valley Fire Prevention Cooperative

Prevention Education Safety

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Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2011
Grants Pass Fire Rescue, Hillcrest Station

Call to Order: 10:08a.m.

Attendees:

Meeting Minutes: December meeting minutes approved

Education and Outreach

- Working with the Grange Co-Op on fire resistant plant displays
- Purchased new billboard in Grants Pass
- New Firebrand newsletter sent out in January to both Josephine and Jackson Counties
- SB360 meeting are underway in Jackson County
- A fire curriculum is being created for Phoenix HS/ Greenway
- Home and Garden Show in Jackson County/ building fire-resistant display w/ donations for Lowes
- Working on team teaching schedule
- Home and Garden Show in Josephine County-John O'Conner heading up project
 - Create a schedule for RVFPC members to sign up for event
- \$400.00 grants available in both Josephine and Jackson Counties
- Ashland City Council expanding wildfire zone in Ashland
- The Firewise organization has approved two new Firewise communities in Shady Cove
- A southern Oregon fire demonstration house may be used in Ashland's Lithia Park
- Sandy Shaffer's public survey should be mailed in January
- Lin Burnhardt has been promoting animal evacuation in both Josephine and Jackson Counties
- OSU Extension/Master Land Stewart Act is holding a 10 class seminar in Josephine and Jackson Counties. They will include managing wildfire, rural property, etc.
- Ali True is creating a "Firewise plant education handout" specifically for landscapers/ gardeners- with an emphasis on dangerous vegetation such as cypress and juniper.
- John O'Conner is working with the Green Leaf Nursery in Josephine County- also putting on a fire-resistant plant workshop
- Max Bennett produced a handout entitled: "Reducing Fire Risk on your Forest Property". It can be downloaded at: <http://ir.library.oregonstate.edu/xmlui/handle/1957/19402>
- John O'Conner will be participating in the Merlin Parade, Saturday May, 1.
- A fuel reduction maintenance brochure is being created by Ashley Du Brey.
- The Illinois Valley is looking into biomass projects.
- BLM /Applegate are working on an Applegate watershed project with UO/ UOW.

Old Business

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- Cary Chaput is working on airport displays. Will create an acrylic sign to show airport director.
- Joe Hyatt researched prevention based training classes. 1-2 day classroom training for the 1st week of October. Brian, Charles and Joe will work on narrowing down class options/price and location.
- Brian- create certificates for Patty and Sheryl
- Lowes Fire Safety Day- Look into hosting on both Friday and Saturday. Will bring YMCA, AKB, home schooled children and charter schools the day before the event (Friday).

New Business

- Look for a CPA/bookkeeper. MOTION approved.
- 2012 scholarship was approved and given to Matt Lichtenstein.
- May look into giving two scholarships out next year, and have one of them sponsored by another organization such as State Farm, etc.
- A co-op business calendar should be created with all significant dates printed on it.
- Official binders need to be made for each RVFPC chair holder.
- Send "Thank You" cards to Sandy Shaffer and Jenny Zeltvay for all their help.

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