



Rogue Valley Fire Prevention Cooperative

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Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2007 10:00 a.m.
Grants Pass Fire/Rescue
Hillcrest Fire Station
199 NW Hillcrest, Grants Pass

Call to order: 10:00 a.m.

Attendees: Debi Bisbee, Cheryl Stanley, Brian Ballou, Dana Sallee, Mark Moran, Lloyd Lawless, Mark Northrop, Neil Benson, Carey Chaput, Patty Commons, Brad Inman, Jerry Schaeffer, Mike Hanna, Sandy Shaffer, Brian Bolstad, Bob Schumacher, Victoria Sturtevant, Scott Williams, Sue Parrish, Charlie Martin, Aubrey Sharp

Review of April meeting minutes: Approved as written

Financial report: At the end of April, the co-op's bank balance was \$5469.68.

Presentation: Fire Education Field Kits (information about the kits, where to get one, and how they are intended to be used will be posted on the co-op's web page in the near future)

Old business:

Committee Reports

Fire safety trailer events committee: It was reported that the Pear Blossom Parade was wet but fun. The Wal-Mart Safety Day on May 5 went well and approximately 100-150 kids went through the fire safety trailer. The Wellsprings Childrens Festival is taking place on May 12, and will be in a little parking lot next to JC Penney's. Cheryl noted that it would be helpful to have a sign to attract people to the trailer, and more handouts are needed – both for children and adults. More RVFPC badges are needed; Mark Moran will order more.

Fire safety trailer management committee: Dana proposed that members propose a name for the fire safety trailer, and then put the name on the trailer itself. He also sketched the design for the tongue-mounted generator box. Lloyd suggested that a barricade be incorporated to keep children away from the hot, operating generator.

Josephine County Outreach and Education committee: Promotions now underway focus on defensible space, open burning safety and alternatives to burning. The free debris disposal day is May 19.

Jackson County Outreach and Education committee: Fire prevention television spots are being developed for broadcast on Channel 12. The committee is also in the final stages of developing fire prevention radio PSAs, a direct mail flier, and additional pages for the rvfpc.com website. The primary messages of the PSAs and flier are open burning safety and defensible space.

Website committee: The co-op's website now has an alternate address: www.roguevalleyfireprevention.com. It goes to the same place, web-wise, as www.rvfpc.com, and was developed to make the co-op's website address more user-friendly.

Team Teaching committee: The co-op reviewed this year's Team Teaching blitz. Carey reported it went very well in Jackson County, and Mike Hanna reported that Josephine County

also went very well. There weren't enough badges to go around this year, and Mark is ordering more for next year.

Nonprofit status: Brian Ballou will meet with the Chiefs at RVFCA's next meeting to get the Secretary of State paperwork signed and submitted.

License holders: Cheryl had a request from Blackbird for more holders. She was given a quantity to deliver to that business. Very few license holders remain to be put in circulation. Mark will contact Jenna Stanke to find out the name of the company that printed the last batch.

New business: None

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Dana said that open burning in Ashland is over – forever – except for permitted noxious weed and fuel reduction projects.

Adjournment: 11:45 a.m.

Next meeting: June 13, 10:00 a.m., High Cascades Ranger District, 47201 Highway 62, Prospect

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