



Rogue Valley Fire Prevention Cooperative

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Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2008 10:00 a.m.

**Oregon Dept. of Forestry, Medford Unit
5286 Table Rock Rd., Medford**

Call to order: 10:07 a.m.

Attendees: Mark Northrop (Rogue River FD), Debi Bisbee (Medford Fire and Rescue), Mary Ann Ceglia (USFS), Carey Chaput (Applegate FD #9), Brian Bolstad (JCFD #5), Mike Hanna (Rural Metro), Cheryl Stanley (BLM), Patty Commons (Phoenix FD), Brian Ballou (ODF)

Minutes of Jan. meeting: Approved as written

Treasurer's report: Annual dues bills have been distributed and most member agencies have paid. Balance is \$3,509.52. Approved as presented.

Committees:

JaCIFP O&E committee: At its meeting, the committee heard an update about assistance that is available for residents with special needs. Assistance is available for both fuel reduction and emergency planning in both counties. Title III funding is available from Jackson County, and the committee discussed ideas for using the money. Updating the "Living with Wildfire" publication may fill many wants/needs in both counties and be useful for a variety of audiences – general public, insurance agents, real estate agents, special needs community. The committee also discussed upcoming events for reaching the public and targeted audiences – home shows, Master Gardeners shows, public safety expo.

JoCIFP O&E committee: Combining efforts with JaCIFP

Fire safety trailer events committee:

Wal-Mart Safety Day & Public Safety Expo: Rogue River FD will bring/pick up fire safety trailer for the Wal-Mart event. JCFD #3 will deliver/pick up fire safety trailer for the Public Safety Expo event. Medford Fire and Rescue will provide some staff for trailer. BLM will bring an engine and staff for promoting fire safety. USFS and Rogue River Fire will also bring engines and staff. Smokey will be there. Rogue River FD will try to have volunteers available. Rural Metro will also send staff as available. Lunch provided at Wal-Mart event.

Pear Blossom parade: April 12, Mike Hanna will be Smokey, ODF will provide an engine. Participants with rolling stock must register to participate in parade. Cheryl will check with Dana Sallee about hauling the fire safety trailer in the parade.

Trailer management committee: ODF has two sandwich boards available for use. Generator box still needs to be built. TV and VCR for interior still needs to be installed; the equipment is being stored in the ODF fire cache.

Team Teaching: Carey distributed the schedule for Team Teaching in Jackson County. Helpers for all venues are needed, but primarily for Orchard Hill School. Carey and Mary Ann will order badges. In Josephine County, Mike is scheduling schools and he will send his schedule to Brian. The same slide show and poster will be used.

Fire prevention workshop: Chris Chambers represented the co-op and presented the co-op's activities. Much networking occurred.

Handouts: Brian will order more FireFree brochures for general distribution.

Recruitment: Mark Northrop will write up a recruitment letter. Brian will send co-op stationery to Mark.

Stationery: Brian will pick up printed stationery from Chris and deliver it to Patty.

KOG ranger books: USFS needs 500, plus enough for Team Teaching (2,500).

New business:

Mark and Carey will get with business accounts manager at the Wells Fargo branch on McAndrews in Medford to get signature cards on file so they can sign co-op checks.

Adjourned: 11:20 a.m.

Next meeting: March 12, 10:00 a.m., Grants Pass Fire/Rescue, Hillcrest Fire Station, 199 NW Hillcrest Dr., Grants Pass

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