

*Rogue Valley Fire Prevention Cooperative
PO Box 3301
Central Point, Oregon 97502*



Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2009 10:00a.m.
ODF, Grants Pass Unit

Call to order: 10:00a.m.

Attendees: Charlie Chase (OSFM) Joe Hyatt (GPFire) Michelle Fuss (JCFD3) Carey Chaput (AVFD) Chris Chambers (AFR) Neil Benson (JJLCG) Mike Hanna (Rural Metro) Robert Shoemaker (USFS) Brian Ballou (ODF) Cassie Marshall (ODF) Michelle Stevens (OSFM) Dana Sallee (AFR) Brain Bolstad (JCFD5) Jim Edge (USFS) Patty Commons (BLM)

Review of December Minutes: Approved as written

Financial Report: December ending balance: \$4785.61 Brain added that \$95.04 will be due for the website. Brian Bolstad, Dana Sallee, and Patty Commons will conduct audit 30 minutes prior to the next meeting on February 11th.

Old Business:

Outreach & Education Committee: Committee receives Title III funding for four years. This funds education efforts, with one option as Firewise Community program. Committee is determining if Southern Oregon will be an appropriate location if the money can be used. The funding can include fuel reduction management, TV spots, and mailing educational materials. Any members who can come up with potential wildland/urban interface messages are to notify the committee on or before the February meeting.

The National Fire Plan Coordination Group who oversees the fuel reduction program visited last week and discussed the accomplishments with the committee and they are please with the outcome.

A van will be available and ODF will be applying the decals and conducting the prep work. Educational, and Smokey materials, will be stored in the van. This will also be used for team teaching, a great changing place for Smokey. ODF will be in charge of the van, and only an ODF volunteer can drive. Brian will bring in the paper work next meeting for any interested in becoming a volunteer.

The committee will be looking for an individual to implement a Fire Education Team in both counties. The committee will provide a copy of the job



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details and duties to be distributed to the Co-op for review, and will be open to suggestions on person who may be interested in the position.

The committee is working with Rogue Valley TV for PSA spots and a price list will be distributed.

Fire Safety Trailer: Generator box has been mounted. Trailer is being stored at ODF-Medford. Joe will keep a checklist/waiver for requests for the use of the trailer. Once Brian schedules an event on the website he will forward the information to Joe. This will help keep track of the trailer activities.

Motion: Reimburse Dana for amount over \$500.00 as previously approved for the generator box. Motion seconded and approved unanimously.

Team Teaching: Carey dispersed list for review. Mike will schedule Josephine county classes May 4-7.

PNWCG Prevention Scholarships: **Motion**: Accept Kamron Ismaili as our second scholarship. Motion seconded and approved unanimously.

Non-Profit: Paperwork completed and awaiting information from the IRS.

New Business:

Spanish Publication: Carey will check on status and confirm when the 12 month subscription is up.

Charlie asks that the Co-op consider an IO representative for the co-op and to consider a possible prevention conference to be held during Fire prevention week.

Good of the Order:

Carey complimented to cooperation between the O & E Committee and the co-op.

Adjournment: 11:55a.m.

Next Meeting: February 11th, 10:00a.m. ODF, Medford



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