

2007 Western Summer FFLA BOD Business Meeting

Call to order

8:00am June 30th 2007, Seeley Lake Community Center, Seeley Lake MT.

Board members present

Keith Argow - Chairman
Gary Weber - Treasurer
Dave Bula – Western Deputy Director
Rob Hoeye - Secretary

Pam Morey – S. CA
George Morey – S. CA
Chris Haartz - NH
Howard Verschoor - OR
Forrest Clark - Western WA
Iris Baird – Past Historian

Guests:

Sondra Kellogg
Samsara Chapman
Al Bradley
Irene Potter
John Sites
Ron Costa
Dick Gilman
Delo Williams
Penny Moore

Minutes

- Minutes of Big Bear Ca Sept 2006
- Approved

Treasurers report

- All areas are in the black
- Close to 900 members.
- New rosters available

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Old business

Western Reports

Western

New Mexico

- New chapter in New Mexico, state director Dixie Boyle is enthusiastic to be involved and is being tutored by Dave Lorenz.

E. WA

- Several severely damaged LO's, Some to be repaired, Red Mtn in GPNF will be a PIT project this summer, Cleman Mtn was removed to limit liability.

W. Wa

- Diana Justice has been instrumental gaining access to Cascade LO near North Bend, which is to be removed and relocated. Many would like to see it at a highpoint, Lord Hill (a walk in), at Snohomish county parks (Forest). Other possibilities are Chucknuck, or Jim creek. Laraby, a Washington State Park, or a rental/interpretive center.
- Green Mtn is still an on going project.

S. Ca

- SPNFA is in process of moving a LO from Lassen to Cajon It is already in storage at Lassen. They were able to get commitment for donated crane work at the final site.
- Road is through to S Mt Hawkins? Reconstruction will start when the conditions are correct.
- Considering outreach into the surrounding Forests. Concern of diluting the current projects is paramount. Several opportunities for saving LO in the surrounding Forests exist.
- 3 LO broken into over the winter. Copper removed from one.

N. Idaho/ Mt

- Status Quo. Membership, Staffing, Projects. Small projects.
- Gary has a change of address.

Oregon

- LO Cabs moved to city parks, future PIT project of Dutchman, Stella to be stabilized.
- Occupation of LO's is again possible.
- 2 Vandalized LO's to be rebuilt.
- Iron and Bald, to be removed.
- Tillamook FF interpretive center is up and operational.
- Cupola from Sexton will be moved to Tillamook.

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- Spirit Mtn wants to host the Oregon LO museum.
- Oregon Chapter flyer, patch, membership card, to fortify the membership rolls.
- Has compiled a compressive list of LO occupied sites.

Eastern Reports

New Hampshire

- State budget will support all LO's in the state.
- 2 LO to be added the register.
- Wants to trek to all LO's
- NH is very supportive of their LO's

Eastern Report

- S. Main is active relocating a tower.
- No summer conference as of yet, hoping to have a working conference, like that held in the catskills years ago.

Chapters

- Nine new local chapters.

Past Historian

- Iris Baird shares her concern for erring on the side of caution with respect to former lookout sites. "A site which looks like it was ever used for fire detection is worthy of adding to a list (of sites) even though it may not have been the part of a formal network (documented occupation for wild fire detection)."

NHLR

- The agreed upon process is operational. One day turn around and state sponsors review is working. Signs are available.

Resolution:

The Board Commends Bill Cobb for his work on the web site, "keep up the good work." Move by Haartz, second by Weber, all approve.

Decals

Gary will move forward on having decals produced with the FFLA logo. Keith may still move forward with bumper stickers as a chapter project.

New Business

Resolution:

Oregon will host the National board meeting on MLK weekend January 2008 at the Tillamook Interpretive center and Oregon will host the western conference the 3rd or 4th week of Sept 2008 in Roseberg. Weber move, Bula second, all in favor, no dissenting.

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Adjournment

The summer meeting of the BOD at 9:00a, 30june07.