

LCSWA
Minutes
Meeting of 03-08-2011
Home of Sherm Sallee

Present:

Sherm Sallee, Tim Otis, Dave Bateman, Jonathan Christie, Mary Brendle, Aaron White, Rick Fletcher, Ed Landis, Fay Sallee, Katie Kohl, Shirley Holmberg, Joe Holberg

Minutes:

Minutes from the prior meeting were approved with corrections:

Annual Meeting need to be retitled "minutes" instead of "notes"

Treasurer Report:

Discussion about increasing our percentage on the investments. Groups needs to deal with risk vs. reward. Shirley will meet with Tim at the banks and go over the options with our accounts. Consensus of group is for Shirley to look into this and report back. Especially look into the allocation for the Bob Mealy funding.

2011 annual budget discussion:

Donation revenue based upon vendors at goods from the woods sale

Rent for hall increased to \$100.00

Add line item for annual meeting.

Concern about how much income we actually make outside of seedling sale.

Shirley will keep track and attempt to establish dedicated (restricted) funds.

Old Business:

Goods from the woods

Rick & Mary say the event was a success. They recommend the following:

- renting whole building.
- charging a small fee (such as \$50.00) for vendors
- starting six months in advance.
- start a committee to pursue this and maybe include Benton County people as well.
- putting a survey in the Quarterly Bark about volunteers and vendors.

Woodland Information Night

Rick says speakers were good.

Fifty or sixty people total, so well attended.

Rick suggest that LCSWA have a booth at event with someone there.

Seedling Sale

Made approximately \$5,600 net (\$10,517 gross). Sold 8,000 seedlings.

73% of sales were pre-orders.

Sherm suggests we raise prices due to higher wholesale prices.

Concerns:

Linn County Extension Update was essential; Extension may be having problems in the future.
Whole building rental?
Need to save plastic bags for next year. Same for newspaper (with shiny pages out).
Suggest one information table between the seedlings & goods sale.
Suggest getting some genetic-local trees from Starker or CTC? Also consider coast range trees.

DOTF--1st week of May = May 5th (8:00 a.m. at Aaron's Annex).

Scholarships--

Katie says four students have scholarships.
Some students are in academic trouble so scholarships are withheld until grades go up.
One probably won't make it.
We'll offer at least one.

New Business:

Membership--

Need to brainstorm about membership. Everyone should bring ideas next time.

Tree Farmer of the Year--

Joe is meeting with Henry Melthias to fill out the form. Tour will be set afterwards.

Quarterly Bark--

Sherm needs contact info from Ed and from Jim Merzenich. Tim will forward.

Oregon Woodland Cooperative--

Tim wants to do a Linn County Branch of this. Mull over and think about this.
Tim will look at the specifics to join.

Tours--

Merzenich Twilight tours--May 11th. 3:00-5:00 equipment demo. 6:00-dusk = tour Off of Gap Rd on Northern Wood Drive South of Brownsville.

Avery Property tour--June 18th --9:00-2:00. Meet at Avery Office (Jordan). Off Hwy 226 just past Jordan.

Eastern Oregon Road Trip--June 24-25 in Baker City. Rick submitted a tentative itinerary. maximum of 21 people. Contact Rick. Tim is willing to drive.

Sept 17th (Saturday) --Natural Resources School.

Other tour dates TBA

OSWA Board Meeting--

Legislation pending on water quality (sediment, temp. etc.) regarding Forest Practices Rules.
Next meeting April 7th

OSWA day at the capital--April 21--go to the website and look up the info.

OSWA Website--

Tabled for later. Hypothesis is that OSWA is busy doing some other stuff at the moment.
Tim's goal is to improve website.

Other

Sherm is giving free subscriptions to a magazine (National Woodland) if you give him your name.

Dave received thank you notes from 4-H members. Dave read them for the groups.

Merzenichs sent in a check for picnic tables.

Good of the Order--

Next meeting:

25th May Wednesday 7:00 pm
at Brendle's

Meeting adjourned.