

MINUTES
VCSDA
Tuesday, April 7, 2009

The Annual Dinner Meeting of the Ventura County Special Districts Association was held at the Oxnard Harbor District, 333 Ponoma Street, Port Hueneme, CA

Call to Order and Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Judy Cofer. Vice President Susan Craig led the flag salute.

Welcome – President Judy Cofer

Judy welcomed everyone to the meeting. On behalf of VCSDA she presented Immediate Past President George Lange with a “Shining Star” plaque for his 2 years of dedicated service as President to the Association.

Approval of Minutes of February 3, 2009

Moved by Bruce Dandy, seconded by Nancy Acosta, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

Treasurer’s Report – Jack Curtis

Jack Curtis provided a Treasurer’s Report on the Association’s funds for the period of 01-01-09 to 02-27-09 (copy is attached)

Motion by George Lange to accept the Treasurer’s report, seconded by Kate O’Brien, motion carried unanimously.

Reports & Announcements

LAFCO Update - Kim Uhlich reported that in years past LAFCO had a large fund carry over balance and the allocated costs to the Districts for LAFCO were fairly low. This year there is no large fund carry over. As the preliminary budgets are completed more will be reported.

Legislative Update - No report

CSDA Update - No report

VCSDA Website Report - Lee Martin reported the webpage has been updated over the past couple of months. Updates include the archiving of agendas, President Page Newsletter and CSDA reports and links. Lee feels any outside eyes looking in can see where we’ve come from and get a look at where we are today. Lee requested all documents submitted to him for the web page be submitted in PDF format so everyone or most everyone can open the attachments. The Board page has been updated with new officers and pictures. George Lange suggested putting a link on the County of Ventura website linking to VCSDA.

VCSDA RPRP (Roving Public Relations Panel) - Mike Solomon spoke to a city of Oxnard Inter Neighborhood City Council meeting. A slide show presentation was given.

Old Business:

Will Berg of Oxnard Harbor District spoke with the Ventura County Fair personnel at Seaside Park regarding a booth for the upcoming fair. The idea is that the different Districts would man the booth throughout the duration of the fair displaying their Districts services and educating attendees on the VCSDA. No booth has been confirmed yet but it is hoped we can get one in the AG building.

New Business:

Goals for 2009- Newly elected President Judy Cofer laid out her goals as follows:

1. To develop Formal Speakers Bureau.

The goal is to get a slide show / power point presentation depicting the VCSDA and engaging a group of individuals who would be willing to make the rounds to service clubs and other organizations speaking about and providing information on the VCSDA and its members. George and Jack volunteered to be on the speakers bureau with Will helping to develop the power point presentation.

2. Develop a "List Serve"

This goal is to provide email addresses and links for those who have questions regarding District operations, policies, etc. It is a method of soliciting and sharing information.

3. Explore Joint Trainings

This goal is to help cut down on costs and duplicity for certain trainings that most Districts need to have such as sexual harassment or ethics, etc. Perhaps Districts can work together to provide training for other Special Districts that may not have training resources.

4. Increase Attendance

This goal is not to necessarily get people to join the VCSDA but encouraging people to come to meetings and learn what we are all about. If they decide to join, great but increasing attendance and awareness and knowledge are the goal.

The Port of Hueneme: Will Berg, Director of Marketing and Public Information provided an update on the Port of Hueneme. Topics covered were:

Maintenance Dredging
Lighthouse Promenade
TWIC (Transportation Worker Identification Credential)

The tour originally scheduled for this night was rescheduled to June 2, 2009 due to lack of daylight.

Member Comments:

Al Fox requested we consider not going dark in August as has been the past practice especially if we are considering participation in the County Fair. Keith Moore commented on the presentation by Will Berg as being informative and interesting.

Motion to adjourn by Kate O'Brien, Seconded by George Lange.

President Cofer declared the June 2, 2009 meeting would be held at the Oxnard Harbor District, 333 Ponomo Street, Port Hueneme, CA 93041.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Campos

Robin Campos, Secretary

Attendance

Representatives from the following Districts and Agencies:

**Susan Craig
Keith Moore
Maryann Moore
Jim Hensley
George Lange
Kim Uhlich
Nancy Acosta
Judy Cofer
Will Berg
Bill Lotts
George Galgas
Jack Curtis
Pricilla Galgas
Howard Smith
Kate O'Brien
Lee Martin
Bruce Dandy
Al Fox
Marvin Hanson**

Total Members and Guest attending was 20.
