

**COLESTIN RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 14, 2011**

PRESENT: Alissa Lipking, Pam Haunschild, Peggy Moore, Cindy Warzyn, Steve Avgeris, Chuck Biegert.

ABSENT: Teri Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm at the Hilt Church.

MINUTES

Steve noted that the biologist who came to the fire on the monument area was from the BLM. It was M/S/P (Lipking/Warzyn) to approve the minutes as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Teri was unable to attend but provided Steve with the financials. We have \$42,959.22 in the treasury account and \$32,408 in the other account.

There are no outstanding large bills due.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Steve reported that we had three calls since the last meeting; one false alarm, two vegetation fires. Fire season is officially over.

The Hilt/Colestin merger is on hold at the moment. Bernie Paul, the CAL Fire Chief for the Siskiyou area and Siskiyou County Fire Warden will attend our November meeting to discuss possible options.

Steve has been in touch with Two Dogs Fabrication for the hose bed. We have \$10,000 to spend and it must be invoiced by December 31st. Steve will be working with this company and the engine will not be out of the District for more than a couple of days since it will be built and then mounted.

The water tender was rented out for about \$1,000 to Cal Fire. The new training requires 20 hours of structure training and will occur early in 2012. Although it requires 24 hours for structure certification to be eligible for an ISO rating of 8, four of the wild land training hours will count.

By April we will need to recertify the First Responders. Siskiyou is having a hard time finding instructors. Peggy suggested perhaps it can be done through Shasta College, in the southern Siskiyou area.

PICNIC

Cindy handed out a sheet on the Picnic which everyone said was a huge success. There were about 80 people in attendance and Cheri Avgeris was honored for her 28 years of service. We made \$353 on tee shirts and over \$700 in donations from the community. Next year we'll have a donation jar for smaller donations (which add up). The Marin family once again attended to grilling burgers and cooking corn. The food purchased was much closer to the food consumed this year and gives us direction for next year.

We will budget in a wasp "bomb" for next year in advance of the event. The Board complimented and thanked Cindy for organizing and seeing to a very successful event.

MOMUMENT

Peggy passed out the part of the monument plan that Greg Alexander from ODF sent her, pertaining to our area. The Board agreed that we need to have a meeting with Greg Alexander, Bernie Paul, Howard Hunter (from BLM) and the CRFD Board in early November. Peggy spoke to both Greg and Bernie and both are willing to meet to discuss ways to maintain the intent of the wilderness area but also to deal with the 320 acres of land at the tip of the wilderness area that is not wilderness but in fact could cause harm to human life and property. Peggy will contact Nancy Ames and then Howard Hunter.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Friday, November 11th at 6 pm at the Hilt Church.

It was M/S/P (Lipking/Warzyn) to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy A. Moore