

Sierra Club Delta-Sierra Group ExComm Meeting

1.21.2019 6:00 PM

1st Unitarian Church Stockton CA

Present: Margo Praus, Mary Elizabeth, Dick Abood, Steve Harvath, Paul Plathe

Guests: Ned Leiba and Jim Marsh

Meeting called to order by Margo Praus, Chair @ 6:00 pm

E-mail vote, Jan 3, 2019: Motion that D-S G fund up to \$200 for an educational component of the idle-free project.

Motion by Margo Praus, second by Paul Plathe

Aye: 6 Nay: 0

Leader Updates:

Vice Chair - Paul Plathe

Election Ballot Count: 7 election ballots had been received.

Committee Reports:

Secretary: - Steve Harvath

Meeting notes from 11.19.2018 approved as amended:, 4 aye, 0 nay

Treasurer's Report - Dick Abood

Membership – Paul Plathe

HELEN is being retired in 2019, Salesforce – Campfire program to be implemented. Distributed 2019 calendar

PeatDuster -Robert Evans

Web Master: Mary Elizabeth

Discussion: Robert Evans to post Peat Duster to web page

Chapter Delegate: Dick Abood

Next Mother Lode ExComm February 3rd. Abood to attend

Conservation: Mary Elizabeth

Reported on letter submitted re: potential negative environmental impacts of proposed Carmax site in Stockton

Groundwater sustainability: Mary Elizabeth

Reported on letter submitted regarding Prop 1 ground water model report for Stockton. Addressed lack of data and information, answers to questions and missed deadline on grant report. Reported on

proposed winery near Mokulumne River. Proposal did not address proximity of well at winery to the river and impact on surface water. Report attached to agenda on Interim Service Review – Prop 1. Mary Elizabeth to attend California Water Conference in April.

SJCOG-CAC - Paul Plathe

Discussed ValleyLink route possibility over old rail line and funding prioritized for ACE. Discussed proposals for all-lane tolling and bicycle safe routes. Paul was a grader for AT applications. Reports attached to agenda re: CAC and LCTOP

SJCCAC- Margo Praus

Reported on the Climate Action Coalition's no-idling initiative moving forward and pending grant by Puentes for tree planting. Report attached to agenda.

Motion: D-S Group affiliate with Climate Action Coalition with caveat that positions not be at odds with national Sierra Club positions. Motion: Margo Praus Second: Mary Elizabeth Aye: 5 Nay: 0

Coal Organizer – Steve Harvath

Reported that Terilyn Chen has been hired as the Coal Organizer and will start on February 4. Invited to March D-S G ExComm meeting.

Outings – Mary Elizabeth

Next outing to Brushy Peak. Planning one per month

Mailbox: Paul Plathe

Dick Abood reports that mail box fee paid automatically

Old Business:

none

New Business:

San Joaquin Valley Air PCD: Ned Leiba reported on the activities regarding the PM2.5 plan and his submission of recommendations for use of research funds and incentive measures. Report distributed. Planning a forum on the air district. Next CAC in February 5. Mary reported that there will be a Site 300 public forum in March. Paul suggested looking into student bus pass subsidization.

Friends of Calaveras River: Jim Marsh reported on the Friends organization. Discussed advocacy program, work with Kohl School on water monitoring in the River, new water quality equipment purchased and the Belotta Weir removal project. Report attached to agenda.

Adjourned at 8:30

Next Meeting: March 18 , 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Steve Harvath