

Calapooia Watershed Council

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Mission: Providing opportunities for membership to cooperate in promoting the health of the watershed and its communities.

Calapooia Watershed Council Meeting Minutes

Calapooia Watershed Council (CWC) Board of Directors and Council members held their monthly meeting at the Brownsville Community Room, Brownsville, Oregon, on January 12, 2011 beginning at 7:05 p.m.

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Board of Directors:

Bud Baumgartner	Matthew Fiorito
Roger Ruckert	Frank Lamb
Mark Running	Dee Swayze
Connie Burdick	Jason McAfee
Dave Furtwangler	

Absent from the meetings were the following members of the Board of Directors:

John Perry	George Pugh
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Also present at the meeting were:

Tara Davis	Eric Anderson
Peter Jensen	Kevin Seifert
Denise Lott	Debra Paul
Jim Wagner	Paula Jean Condino
John Joiner	Peter Kenagy
Kim Kagelaris	

On behalf of the CWC Secretary, Operations Coordinator, Denise Lott recorded the minutes.

AGENDA ITEM: Introductions, Announcements

Self introductions around the room.

Executive Director, Tara Davis announced that CWC will be working with Darrelle Fiorito's, Central Linn High School environmental science students Thursday, January 20th from 9-3 pm in the Brush Creek sub-basin to plant several bare root native plants. There will be about 22 students and members are encouraged to attend and provide oversight and direction to the students. Location: 38232 Courtney Creek Rd (Rick Peterson's place).

AGENDA ITEM: Public Comment/Board of Directors Comment

AGENDA ITEM: Decision: Approved December 8, 2010 Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM: Presentation

Movie: **RiverWebs** takes a close look at the life of the pioneering Japanese ecologist, Dr. Shigeru Nakano and an international group of river ecologists, who share a story of tragedy, growth, and recovery. Across Eastern and Western cultures, this unlikely circle of friends shows us a very human side of science, while demonstrating how the

process of discovery works. The inspiring lives and experiences of these scientists build a rich story of hope and interconnectedness, while providing a personal window through which to view rivers, ecology, and conservation.

RiverWebs shows some of the unseen beauty and diversity of river ecosystems, and examines two of the most serious threats facing them: habitat destruction and invasive species.

It encourages us to recognize that healthy rivers need healthy riparian forests, and that channelization, deforestation, and levies can sever connections between rivers and forests. It also warns that introducing sportfish species can impact native species through hybridization, predation, and competition.

AGENDA ITEM: Executive Director, Tara Davis requested feedback on the OWEB Council Support Application (2011-2013) from board members by 5pm on January 14th.

AGENDA ITEM: CWC assistance with the East Thornton Lake Natural Area and the possibility of setting up an on-line credit card or PayPal donation link on the CWC website was discussed. The overall consensus was to wait and see if there is a need for it. Note: Denise or Tara will check with the Albany Campaign to see if they are considering offering the service on their website.

Members also suggested creating donation instructions on the CWC website for persons interested in donating to our watershed.

AGENDA ITEM: Treasurer, Connie Burdick gave an update on health benefits for the CWC staff. The Management Committee is still considering health care benefits, but not retirement benefits. Dave Furtwangler plans to set up a meeting with a health care insurance agent and the committee sometime next week to talk over possible options.

The committee says there are many things to consider. One in particular: Universal health care and what its future effect will be.

AGENDA ITEM: Open House Event on February 9th. Discussion about seating/table arrangements. Also continual slide show throughout the evening, finger food, display table with watershed information and the East Thornton Lake project. The time is set for 7-9 pm. The 1st hour will be dedicated to guest speaker Aaron Wolf for presentation and discussion. The 2nd hour will be for munching and socializing.

DISCUSSION: Jason McAfee asked if anyone knew the laws on hunting from a drift boat. He lives on the lower Calapooia River and recently had an incident with a hunter who was shooting from his boat and one of Jason's workers was actually sprayed with buckshot. Responses were that it was illegal to hunt in the city limits, which he is in.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 pm. The next Calapooia gathering (Open House) will be February 9th at the Brownsville Baptist Church, 27910 Seven Mile Lane from 7-9 pm.

READ AND APPROVED by the Board of Directors on _____, 2011

Secretary