Orient Land Trust

Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Sunday, August 11, 2002 - 9:00 AM
Seitz Residence - Valley View Hot Springs

MINUTES


II. Jim calls the meeting to order at 9:25 AM.

III. No changes to the agenda.

IV. No questions from guests.

V. Harold moves that the corrected minutes from the May 5, 2002 meeting be approved and is seconded by Terry. All in favor. Terry moves that the minutes from the June 9, 2002 meeting be approved and is seconded by Harold - all in favor.

VI. Treasurer's report: Doug moves that it be approved and is seconded by Harold. All in favor.

A. Outstanding pledges - $2075.00

B. Donations are $6482.00 to date and expenses are $6267.00.

C. Balance as of August 11 is $6090.43.

D. Approve bills: $96.01 phone; $360 legal fees; $45 candy; $50 to Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts for a total of $551.01.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Draft OLT Lease Terms: Neil stresses that the lease must be comprehensive enough to accompany the 1023 application.

1. Harold wants input from board as to content of lease and whether they can approve the articles before the next meeting so work on attachments can be done.

2. Neil notes that Robin's comment #2 is not what they want from the trust. The board needs to work out details as to salary, lessor/lessee agreement. Jim suggests setting up a lease subcommittee excluding Neil and Terry to discuss via email Neil and Terry's lease, salary offers and response to Robin's comments. Chris volunteers circulating need for representation through OLT website.

3. Subcommittee charged with working on exhibit D (with Neil and Terry working on A-C, E.) Board needs employment management agreements (one for Neil and one for Terry) which Chris will put out on email to board members. Subcommittee will meet prior to next board meeting to work out the final details.
4. Harold moves that a lease subcommittee be formed without Neil and Terry to consider the five exhibits while focusing on exhibit D and is seconded by Doug and Chris. All but Neil and Terry (who abstained from voting) in favor. Chris will keep and send out documents and Harold will assume responsibility of chair of subcommittee.

B. Fundraising income from sale of T-shirts and tanks is $1266.00.

C. Computer communications: Chris discusses companies that supply forum support on the web and asks if the board will approve expenditure of $10-35/month versus buying the software.
   1. One company is Futuresites.com at the cost $25/month with a $25 setup fee. He would like Rob Zabrecky to help with the page - maybe as a moderator.
   2. Harold wants to know length of contract since the OLT will need enough to get through January 1, 2004.
   3. Neil moves that Chris to look into details and that he be authorized to sign a contract for up to $500/12 months using Valley View's business credit card with OLT reimbursing Valley View and allow Chris to submit his personal expenses if beyond contract expenses. Seconded by Jim. All in favor.

D. Purchasing 760 acres executive session from 10:58 AM to 11:40 AM.

E. August Newsletter: To include information about the brochure, chat room, acreage for sale, and outline what the trust is about and how it benefits all users of Valley View and the surrounding area. There should be an article thanking everyone who has made donations. Chris suggests that we also include a picture of the board and information on proper bat observation etiquette.

VII. New Business

A. Crestone Music Festival booth volunteers and handouts.

B. Colorado Natural Areas Program: They will be here the 6th of September to view the mine (at 4 PM.) Any interested board members are welcome.

C. Bats: Kirk Navo mentions that number of visitors may affect outfly behavior. He suggests putting together some bat viewing behavior literature. Fundraising for viewing (by John Koshak of the Watchable Wildlife program) to support volunteers, signs, fencing, kiosks, information about risky behavior, etc. Terry and Doug will work with Kirk as liaison.

VIII. Schedule next meeting - October 12/13.

IX. Adjourn at 12:15 PM.

Guests: Sam Pace (town of Crestone liaison), Leon Mazieka and Kirk Navo (DOW liaison.)

Submitted by: Approved by:

Sonia Walter, Secretary Date Jim McCalpin, Vice Chairperson Date