

Middle Fork Willamette Watershed Council
Board of Directors Meeting
February 13th
4-6pm
Eugene BLM Office (Chad Drive)

Present: Chuck Davis, Eve Montanaro, Brian Von Bargaen, Pat Burns, Nancy Sawtelle, Gregg Vollstedt, Cary Hart, Barb Hazen, Don Hampton, Marty Wilder, Stephanie Shroeder, Dean Vendrasco (USFS), David Atkin
Recorder: Stephanie Shroeder

I. Welcome/Introductions

The Board welcomed Marty Wilder as the new MFWWC Operations Manager.

II. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved as written.

III. Approval of the Minutes of December 19 Board Meeting.

Minutes approved as written.

IV. Tax Exempt Training Seminar

David Atkin presented a 1 ½ hour seminar as part of a three-part non-profit training for Directors. The detailed seminar will be available to the Council by David Atkin.

V. Executive Director Update

- Projects are going well. Eve has had a challenging time integrating four other staff members into her work load and now believes that a balanced is being reached among staff and director responsibilities. She believes that all staff are well-suited for their respective positions and they are doing a great job. She has dedicated certain days and times during the week for each of the other staff to have one-to-one time with her. There, they can discuss any issues, updates, etc.
- Lost Creek Tree Planting event went very well last weekend. Close to 30 people attended over the course of the day. More than 500 trees were planted.
- MFWWC staff worked together and planted the remaining trees on the Nelson Creek property. It was a great way for everyone to get to know one another and check in about each other's projects.
- The OWEB grants submitted for Phase II of the Nelson Creek project and Headwaters to Confluence Action Plan have been recommended for funding and awards are granted in March 08.
- OWEB did not approve funding for the MFWWC Watershed Education Program. Eve and Holly submitted a proposal to the Oregon Community Foundation and will hear back this spring.
- The DEQ provided feedback that the Council's regional proposal for water quality monitoring in the Middle fork, Coast Fork and Long Tom watersheds is one of two top proposals recommended for funding. DEQ is not certain of the funding level yet and will notify us once an award has been decided upon and granted.
- Eve submitted a first draft of her Director's Report today, and will submit her final draft this evening for the Board to review.

VI. Authorization for Office Manager to access On Line Banking

- Eve recommended to the Board that Marty have view-only access to the Council's on-line banking account with Siuslaw Bank. Chuck moved to recommend the authorization. Cary seconded the motion. The Board approved the authorization.

VII.

The Board welcomed Dean Vendrasco of the USFS as Chip Weber's proxy while Chip is away from the District Office for two months.

Meeting adjourned. Next Meeting is March 26, 2008.