Mount Lassen Chapter
California Native Plant Society
Executive Board Minutes 16 November 2011

Held at the home of Paul Moore. Called to order at 7:04 PM by P. Moore
Members present: Paul Moore, Janna Lathrop, Phyllis Lindley, Cindy Weiner,
John Meehan, Jim Bishop, Catie Bishop, Susan Bazell, Gerry Ingco, Ron Coley,
Nancy Schleiger, and Woody Elliott. Quorum was met.
Announcements: Paul thanked John for chairing last month's meeting in his
absence.

Old Business
A. October minutes approved. Motion J. Lathrop, second P. Lindley.
B. Treasurer's Report (attached). Total income $2864.54. Income from Annie B's
$2475.74, Harvest Festival plant sale $325.00 & donated books sale $63.80.
C. Pipevine deadline was November 11th. Next deadline January 6, 2012.
D. Yahi Trail signs-no update.
E. Fremontia fire issue: Jim in contact with area fire agency personnel for
feedback as a potential resource. Will have a report at a future date.
F. Committee List-handout of MTL committees (attached). Paul requests review
and send him any updates.

New Business
A. 1.) General meeting locations at the Chico library set for Dec.7, Feb.1, Mar.7
and Apr. 4. By board consensus schedule the May meeting at the Oroville library.
Janna will schedule the room. Jim requests suggestions for that program.
2.) Board meeting locations: January 18, 2012 at Phyllis Lindley's
February 15, 2012 at Susan Bazell's.
B. Student support request: CSUC student, Gina Sideli, received $300.00 for the
2012 Conservation Conference as approved by the board in Oct.
C. Proposals for 2012 budget: (see attached) 2012 approved budget was
reviewed with adjustments reflecting income from Annie B’s and the plant sale.
2012 budget to be published in next newsletter. Paul requests the finance
committee develop a policy regarding the budget reserve. Jim: a good idea to
review the chapter's income and expense history.
D. Garden Tour: There will be no garden tour in 2012. Consensus: Although
interest is there, we do not have a committee or slate of new gardens to offer. All
concur to avoid repeat gardens for the next tour. Alternative consideration is to
plan a possible spring plant sale similar to the successful fall sale and hold it in
conjunction with another event such as the Endangered Species Faire or during
the Native Plant Week. Janna will check with ESF about selling plants.
E. New Officers for 2012: (number after name designates year of term) Paul Moore,
president (2), John Meehan, vice president (2), Jim Bishop, secretary (1), Susan
Bazell, treasurer (3), Members at Large Paula Shapiro (2), Catie Bishop (1), and
Cindy Weiner (1).
F. Early 2012 events: Snowgoose festival Jan.26-29. Table staffing will be
discussed at the Jan. board meeting.
**Committee Reports**

A. **Budget:** Susan requests input on budget priorities for the chapter. Paul will place this on the agenda for April. Will also place in Pipevine request for member input and feedback prior to the April board meeting.

B. **Website:** Woody put the bylaws on the website in a slightly altered format. Website has Lock Pages that require a password to open. At present archival board minutes are in this format. Consensus of board after discussion to keep the minutes and past budgets in this format. Legislative notes, newsletters and bylaws will not require password access. Receiving good feedback about content. Continue to send input to Woody.

C. **Education:** no report

D. **Field trips:** Gerry presently able to continue to lead trips as scheduled. Circulated letter received from PG&E regarding fieldtrips on area flumes.

E. **Membership:** Phyllis reports net increase of 3 new members and total chapter membership is 248.

F. **Programs:** Dec. 7 speaker will be Dr. Potter from UC Davis. Publicity has been sent per Cindy and information forwarded to the science departments at Butte College and CSUC. Susan will also announce at next FOH board meeting. February 2012 speaker will be Jennifer Jewell.

G. **Manage email list:** Constant Contact account is now set up and paid for. To be tested soon. At present, Susan Mason has a list of 60 chapter member email addresses.

H. **Rare Plants:** Ron handed out a list of six potential rare plant treasure hunt sites for 2012. Locations/timing derived from Vern Oswald’s papers.

I. **Horticulture:** Chair Paula Shapiro not present. Feedback from the board on Paula’s excellent effort on the successful plant sale at the Harvest Festival. Steady stream of people by our table, healthy plants attractively priced. Suggestions sought for future plant sales.

J. **Conservation:** Current issues now on website. Scoping meeting on proposed ADA trail on Table Mtn set for 11/21 in Oroville and 11/22 in Chico. Woody requests other areas of conservation concern. Attended required trail maintenance workshop with Steve Overlock for the Yahi Trail.

K. **Invasive plants:** no report

L. **Sales:** John reports $75.00 in sales of donated books at last general meeting. Balance of the small inventory to be donated to the library. There will be a sales table at the Dec. Meeting.

Other Items: Recap report on Annie B’s Community Drive (report attached). Total received $2475.74. 8% matching grant. 43 donors, all but one are a chapter member. 235 letters mailed. Expenses: $37.42 postage for letters. $23.85 to print letters and $18.72 postage for thank you notes. Total expenses $79.99. $37.42 paid by chapter and $42.57 donated. Subvention monies from CNPS not yet received. Janna will contact CNPS & report back to the president and treasurer.

Agenda item for next meeting: 2012 Native Plant Week. Ideas needed for events.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM. Minutes submitted by Janna Lathrop