Minutes of 14 November 2012 Mt. Lassen Chapter Executive Board Meeting, taken by Jim Bishop

To order at 1900 hours at the Sunrise Clubhouse (host Angie Tilaro), Chico, CA

Present (quorum count 7, in bold): Catie Bishop, Jim Bishop, Denise Devine, Woody Elliott, Gerry Ingco, Janna Lathrop, Susan Mason, John Meehan, Paul Moore, Paula Shapiro, Angie Tilaro, Cindy Weiner, Marion Weer and guests Hesh Kaplan, Steve Overlock

Actions taken by motion or consensus:
- Minutes approved as amended (John M., 2nd Woody) by unanimous vote of those at last Ex. Bd. meeting.
- Moved (Paula, 2nd Janna) to approve budget items 1-7 as listed on Income & Expenditures sheet, unanimous
- Moved (Woody, 2nd Cindy) to consider remaining budget & reserve policy at Jan. 2013 Ex. Bd mtng, passed.
- Moved (Jim, 2nd Paula) to inform NCB of our desire to sponsor 2 students, passed 6 to 4.
- Moved (Woody, 2nd Catie) to give gift membership to newsletter printer Ed, unanimous.

Presentations & Discussions
- John M. described budget time-basis (by month), and presented expense/income accounting 2010-2012 and draft budget for 2013 (showing only known and submitted costs). Discussion considered how to go about adopting the budget. It was decided to approve the 7 “routine” items to allow us to function, and to table discussion of the rest of the budget to Jan; additional budget items should be submitted via the Finance Committee for consideration in Jan.
- Susan M. updated training that is scheduled for weed warriors.
- Woody: 73 responses to “email” survey (most favor email delivery of Pipevine); will try some emailings of Pipevine; maybe transition next summer? Woody, Angie, and Susan will work out details of email delivery.
- Susan M: Do we want to become caretakers of the Chico Creek Nature Center garden? Maybe Feb?
- Jim, Catie, & Paula: Consider a permanent plant-sale garden (Butte College, Plant Barn, etc?)
- Catie: We need help with our part of the Dec. CC meeting in Sacramento (Susan, Hesh, Woody can help)
- Woody will attend a conservation workshop in Vacaville; need N.Table Mtn. trail input by Nov. 30th; made input on proposed Butte County ordinance for mitigation of the conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses.
- Steve O. described the need for Bidwell Park trail repairs; could be a PR opportunity for our chapter.
- Janna: We need a WFS coordinator; perhaps Dalynn Eykstra would be willing? Janna & Woody have reviewed the WFS information and recommend a “collection/display” leader. Could we display a banner in Chico to advertise the WFS? Consider inviting other groups such as the Horticulture Society.

Coming Events/Projects & Assignments
- Jim will contact N. Calif. Botanists (Linnea) about student sponsorship at symposium and will cc Adrienne.
- Catie will contact CNPS insurance agent about coverage for the vehicle accident involving Wes & Hesh.
- Susan: Pipevine mailing cost exceeds budget by $500; need to provide at least 30% by email to begin to save money. We have 3 “lifetime members” (an extinct category).
- Paula will check into using some space at Plant Barn for our plant-sale growing.
- Let Janna know if you can help with the Snow Goose Festival in Jan.

Information sharing & Committee reports
- Susan: a Google calendar is in the works.
- Catie: We got 3 new members at the Harvest Festival.
- Jim: Feb. program speaker is yet to be arranged.
- Gerry needs help with signing up folks on field trips; passed out forms to prospective trip leaders; he may need a driver for trips.

Coming meetings
- General meetings Feb., & Apr. meetings will be on 1st Wednesdays; Monday Mar. 4th, all at Chico Library May general meeting will be in Oroville.
- Exec. Board Meetings: Jan. 16th Janna’s clubhouse; Feb. 21st Elliott residence; Mar. 20th Sunrise

Adjourned at 2159 hours (whew, that was a long one).