Minutes of April 20, 2016 CNPS Mount Lassen Chapter Board Meeting
by Jim Dempsey, Secretary

Motions in bold (m/s/c who moved, second, result) AN: indicates Action Needed.

Called to order 7 pm (Janna Lathrop clubhouse). Quorum was present (8/9):
Woody Elliott WE, Jim and Catie Bishop JB/CB, Nancy Praizler NP, Jim Dempsey JD,
John Whittlesey JW, Cindy Weiner CW, Letha Albright LA. Meryl Bond MB absent.
Also in attendance Marjorie McNairn MM, Janna Lathrop JL, Karolynn Yells KY.

Minutes of March 16, 2016 to be considered for adoption at May Board meeting.
WE: a draft of minutes should be sent for edits within 2 weeks of the meeting.

No announcements. Agenda modification: 7f JB as noted.

Treasurer’s Report, Nancy P. Three handouts: budget as of 3/31/2016, cumulative expenses and income for last fiscal year, and projected income and expenditures for current fiscal year. Last fiscal year cumulative income after expenses of $2,975. AN: NP to summarize last fiscal year for Board’s approval to publish in Pipevine.

Old Business
  b. Gridley Library, CB: layout made for 1 plot, costs are being identified, JW is developing a planting list.
  c. Garden Tour, WE: 1 garden withdrew, enough co-hosts, 82 registrants to date, online donations of $50 to date.
  d. Volunteer recognition, WE. To take place during Chapter Annual Picnic June 11, with a special food item tbd. AN: WE will inquire about costs/requirements of potential locations Patrick Ranch, Bear’s Lair, 5-Mile, or Lake Oroville Visitor Center. NP: JohnM said there was no cost for Patrick Ranch 2015 Annual Picnic as arranged via ‘Paul’. [WE 5/13 email: Lake Oroville Visitor Center 2-5 pm June 11].

New Business
  a. Council Meeting, WE: Sagehen field station a beautiful area this time of year, all encouraged to attend.
  b. Donations, NP will track each component: Chapter pays sales tax on donations to other people or organizations.
  c. Revisit current year budget, NP: projected deficit spending. This is the last year of Annie B’s fund ($3k). Discuss more next meeting. AN: for next meeting, JB will provide past budget information to offer insight on whether this deficit spending may be a problem or not. AN: WE will investigate why Annie B Fund is ending and the possibility of replacement community benefit funding.
  d. AN: CB will be sending out a form to solicit annual reporting of Chapter Activities for last FY2015.
  e. Bidwell Park invasive broom treatment proposal will be considered next meeting after budget discussion.
f. 2017 WF show, JL: if CARD, need at least 210 @ $5/ to cover rental but increased rental fee is possible; expect 250 to attend. Past 8-5 pm for which Show was 12-4; must decide hours by April 23. The arts/crafts room is an additional fee. Sponsorships? – recommended.

Standing Committee Reports
   a. Alice H Garden plant list to be posted online.
   b. Conservation, WE: Butte RHCP WE will organize 4/27 meeting at BEC conference hall to present the HCP for public comment closing 5/14. Colusa-SacRiver St Rec Area draft General Plan public meeting at Granzellas (Williams) on 4/28; the Park and Rec Commission will convene 4/29.
   f. MM mailing seals needed.
   h. Speakers, JB: May 04 Arthur Dawson, Sonoma County revisit historic survey flora notes. Fall (not October) we should have a General Meeting in Oroville 7 pm with a topic for a more general audience. Gerry potential talk on Sequoia NP.
   j. Sales, NP: Oroville WF Festival $100 + $7 donated. General Mtg $83. JB: the Herbarium provided a box of 60 Table Mtn WF books, AN: NP need to decide # to buy and pay the CSUC Herbarium.

Next Board meeting May 18, 7 pm at Nancy Praizler’s home, Adjourned 9pm -ish.