

**Wild Recovery Business Meeting**  
**July 10, 2005**

- 1) The meeting opened with the serenity prayer at 11:20 A.M. in the home of Diane T. & John R., Mark had left his GSR's report in the car so Diane read the daily meditation from "Just For Today".
- 2) GSR's Report:
  - a) Mark gave his GSR's report on upcoming events.
  - b) We need an alternate GSR because Mark can not make every Wild Recovery event. It was discussed and we agreed to get the word out in hopes of finding a sacrificial lamb er volunteer at the next business meeting.
- 3) Treasurer's Report:
  - a) Janet stated that we have our retreat for Julia Pfeifer Burns State Park paid in full.
  - b) We made a \$50.00 donation to the ASC and our balance is \$1104.97
- 4) Web Servant's Report:
  - a) Dave announced that he had intended to resign due to his numerous conflicts and commitments but felt that he was over the hurdle and could start dedicating more time to the position.
  - b) Dave is in need of pictures and information on the upcoming hikes for the web site.
  - c) The assistant web servant, Bill, was asked about helping Dave in the future when things get overwhelming. Bill made a commitment to be more proactive in that endeavor in the future.
  - d) The cost and purchase of software to improve the web site was discussed and tabled for new business.
  - e) Dave is currently updating phone numbers and e-mail addresses so keep him posted.
  - f) Dave would like to update the old hikes with pictures and information, so if you have any of either, e-mail them or give them to him.
- 5) Old Business:
  - a) A motion was made and unanimously passed to authorize David to establish a Yahoo news group. Anyone who is interested contact Dave. Dave will create a link from the web site.
  - b) Anna had a copy of the next flier to proof read. There were minor changes that were addressed so she could make the edits before printing the next run.
- 6) New Business:

- a) Janet requested that we get a new bank account because she has had a lot of trouble with the current bank. A motion was made and unanimously passed to authorize her to find a new bank.
- b) Janet needs an Assistant Treasurer. Anna was nominated. It was brought up that she already had the positions of carpool coordinator and the fliers. Discussion ensued and a motion was made to make an exception. Anna is willing to do more, the fliers are printed only 3 times a year and as carpool coordinator she hasn't had much to do. The motion to make an exception passed unanimously. She qualified herself for the position of Assistant Treasurer and was elected by a unanimous vote.
- c) The request from Set Em Free to have WR take over as the coordinator for the event was rejected unanimously. WR is a very different event and we do not have the resources and manpower to accommodate Set Em Free.
- d) It was requested that the retreat at Julia Pfeifer Burns State Park be free. We are over our prudent reserve and continue to do well financially. It would be a chance for us to return some of our bounty to our members. Discussion ensued and the question of what our prudent reserve should be was brought up.
  - i) It was decided that we needed to settle that issue before we could make a decision on the cost of the retreat. A motion was made that we give \$50 a month to ASC and we decide at our quarterly business meetings how much we need for upcoming events and donate 100% percent of anything over our future needs to ASC. \* It was brought up that we should raise our prudent reserve to \$1000.00 from the current \$800.00. The 1<sup>st</sup> motion was postponed so we could deal with the question of our prudent reserve.
  - ii) After much discussion of spiritual principles and the fact that both the whale watching trip and the Yosemite retreat cost us \$1200.00 or more in advance, a vote was taken. The motion to raise our prudent reserve to \$1000.00 was passed by a vote of 50% for %50 abstaining.

\*Our expenses include our web site, software to update it, software to run it, retreat reservations that average around \$650.00 and need to be made up to a year in advance and our fliers that average \$300 - \$400 per run depending on the size of the run and where we get it done.

- iii) The 1<sup>st</sup> motion to determine at our quarterly business meeting our future need and donate 100% of everything over that amount to ASC was passed unanimously.
  - iv) We returned to the discussion of the Julia Pfeifer Burns retreat. It was brought up that if we make it free there is no incentive to show up and we have limited spaces. If someone doesn't show up that means someone who wanted to go couldn't. A motion was made to make the retreat cost \$10.00. It passed unanimously.
- 7) It was brought up that Anna's phone number needs to be added to Trusted Servants list and the Contact Us page on the web. David said he would take care of it.
- 8) It was suggested that we take fliers to region for distribution. Anna felt that would add unnecessary expense to our fliers since she does the printing work herself. It was agreed that if the printing runs get to be too much that she can take them to a printer in runs of 1001 for the price break. She agreed and Mark was tasked to take 500 fliers to ASC for the RSC to take to region.
- 9) The non e-mail / web access members were brought up and John agreed to contact everyone on the phone list by phone for business meeting notification.
- a) This brought up the clarification of the responsibilities of the various trusted servants in WR. It was discussed and agreed that the following positions be clarified in writing by the person listed below and then posted on the web.
    - Host (Janet)
    - Retreats (Dave)
    - Secretary (John)
    - Fliers (Anna)
- 10) It was brought up that our meeting time is supposed to be 10:00 AM and we have been getting in the habit of leaving around 10:30 AM. It was discussed and agreed that in the future we would start the Serenity prayer at 10:00 AM sharp.
- 11) There was a concern voiced that we are abusing our 1<sup>st</sup> tradition, which states that "Our common welfare should come first, personal recovery *depends* on *N.A. unity*." We have been getting in a habit of having more than 1 route for our hikes and not making it a point to stick together before and after the meeting. It was agreed that from now on we will only have 1 route for our hikes so we can work toward the unity our recovery depends on. It was reiterated that the host is responsible for the route of the hike, the meeting place and the route back. Now that

we have a sign the host will be responsible for having an extra map with the route clearly marked that we can attach to the sign. That way people who are late can find the meeting place and us. Once this is established only weather and extreme conditions will be a reason to change the route.

12) The Hungry hiker potluck that was scheduled for the Mount Montara hike conflicts with the San Jose H&I BBQ. We agreed to switch the date of the potluck with the Forest Of Nisene Marks Hike and have the potluck there. (Since the business meeting we found out that we couldn't use the facilities at Nisene Marks because they were booked. So we switched the dates of the hikes. The new flyer is correct.)

13) We had agreed to look into making t-shirts and nothing was ever done so we nominated Mark to do the research to get t-shirts designed and made. He was elected unanimously.

14) Janet agreed to research the schedule for 2006 for area and event conflicts.

15) The subject of a clear N.A. message from our chairpersons was addressed. John R. accepted responsibility for attempting to find people that can carry a clear N.A. message.

The meeting was adjourned with the 3<sup>rd</sup> step prayer.

Yours In Grateful Service

John R.