

V. Newsletter

- A. Matt Franck (new newsletter editor) met with Scott Goebel (prior newsletter editor) on January 16 to become familiar with his duties.
- B. Matt suggested publishing the newsletter electronically rather than via US mail. Matt will email it to Stefan-George; which will email it to all members.
- C. Christy will ensure that all members have provided email addresses. Christy will email Matt regarding the Wildlife Society.
- D. Matt offered to contact and interview the January 29 speaker for the newsletter in an attempt to generate interest from members in attending the January 29 luncheon.
- E. Kerri will share with Matt newsletters from other chapters.
- F. The newsletter is currently published quarterly; Matt would like to publish it monthly.
- G. Matt will include the potential website changes in the newsletter.
- H. Old Business: Include the February NEPA workshop and May CEQA workshop in the newsletter? Include job ads?

VI. Membership Update

- A. There are 236 chapter members. 3 members are new, 7 are renewals, and 1 member did not renew. Christy will follow-up with the non-renewing member in an attempt to re-gain membership.

VII. Liaison

- B. Christy will become the liaison with APA.

VII. Programs

- A. December mixer with APA has 35+ attendees. There were few APA members; most were AEP members.
- B. January mixer with the Wildlife Society had 50+ attendees.
- C. Currently, only 12 attendees have signed up to attend the Jan 29 luncheon discussing the McClellan Environmental Update at La Perla Bistro in Carmichael
- D. We need to bring a camera to the mixers; photos could be posted on the website or in the newsletter
- E. Christy will cross-check the AEP member list against mixer RSVPs in an attempt to find out if non-current members are attending mixers and encouraging them to re-join AEP.
- F. Jennifer will contact American Society of Landscape Architects to find out if there is interest in partnering on mixers/events.
- G. Allan Gordon with the State Capitol is a potential speaker for February or March; Jennifer is in contact with him.
- H. NEPA Workshop: maybe co-sponsor it with the San Francisco chapter? Jennifer to contact them and check.
- I. CEQA Workshop: is planned at the State level; Janet coordinates this event. It will occur in May.
- J. Gifts for speakers: Government employees cannot accept gifts. It was suggested that we can make "In Appreciation" certificates and have them framed, and give them to speakers at events.

VIII. Student Liaison

- A. Tasha and Trevor met and chose a winner for the scholarship. Total scholarship money is \$2,000. Award all to one winner, or split it and award it to multiple winners? They need to work with the programs people to decide when to present the scholarship(s).
- B. Should the scholarships be awarded once per year or other frequency? This needs to be determined.
- C. Kerri to email Trevor asking him to provide an update report on this.

IX. Next Meeting

- A. The next meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. at Kerri's office.
- B. Kerri will email the board members with lunch choices.
- C. Changes to the website will be discussed at that meeting.

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