



SEMCU Foundation
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, June 17th, 2019, 6:00PM
Ranchos Pizza Factory
37184 Ave 12, Madera, CA

Attendance

Board Members

Jeff McGrath
Verlaine Elinburg
Igal Treibatch
Mark W.F. Carter

Others Present

Matt Maringer
Dan Suderman
Sandra Carter
Sarbjit Johal
Jan & Win Peirsol

- Call to Order** – the meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by Verlaine Elinburg

Previous Meeting Minutes from May 20th, 2019

- Corrections, Approval or Disposition – no changes
 - Jan Peirsol mentioned her last name was spelled wrong
 - Jeff McGrath made a motion to approve the minutes
 - Igal seconded
 - all in favor

Public Comments

- There was a good discussion brought on by Jan Peirsol about being a part of more social sites for more exposure for SEMCU
 - She also mentioned of possibly putting together a PowerPoint presentation so people can get more familiar with SEMCU and the purpose
- Sarbjit Johal mentioned the idea of creating a paid internship so a student could not only get credit, but help with different projects
- Sarbjit also mentioned he would like to attend the Fresno State grant writing course when the dates have been selected for the Fall course.
- There was also a discussion about putting a grant committee together so more ideas and thoughts would go into submitting the grants

Officer Reports

- Verlaine Elinburg, President
 - Verlaine mentioned she did not have anything to report and most of the items pertaining to the grant info were already addressed
- Jeff McGrath, Treasurer - Monthly Financial Report
 - Balance: \$12,455.31
 - Grant account balance: \$639.5 (before checks to deposit)
 - Jeff received a grant check from the state for \$28,500. This is for the 2018 Q4 and 2019 Q1 reimbursements
 - A total of 49 people will be reimbursed

- Jeff received a donation letter in the mail for Ray of Hope
 - Igal made a motion to donate \$500, Verlaine 2nd and all were in favor
- Igal Treibatch, Secretary
 - Igal mentioned he gets excited when discussions among the community members happens because it shows their interest
 - He would still like to hear more voices from the residents, particularly regarding water issues
 - Igal mentioned the RWMG meetings are open to the public and is a good place for people to learn what is going on regarding water

☐ **Discussion Items**

- RWMG Report from Al Solis
 - The meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 24th so there was nothing to report yet
- Grant Reports
 - Report from Owen Kubit (not present)
 - Jeff McGrath mentioned again that he received the check from the state so the 2018 Q4 and 2019 Q1 applicants can be reimbursed
 - Aside from the check coming in there hasn't been much activity other than more residents applying
- Status of Dry Wells
 - Igal mentioned if SEMCU is able to get approved for the Prop 1 DWR grant then close to 200 dry wells could be drilled throughout the Ranchos
 - This would create sustainability
 - Igal mentioned we still have 12 applicants that are ready for when we start drilling
- Upcoming Events – Fireworks Booth
 - Jeff McGrath mentioned the fireworks booth will be on Saturday, June 29th
- Ranchos Independent
 - Jeff McGrath will write next month's (July) article
 - Jan will write the article for August

☐ **Next Foundation Meeting** – Monday, July 15th, 2019 at 6:00pm

☐ **Adjournment** -

- Jeff McGrath made a motion to adjourn
- Igal seconded
- all in favor
- Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm