

CAMARILLO RANCH FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

88th Meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2006

CALL TO ORDER – The 88th meeting of the Camarillo Ranch Foundation Board of Directors was called to order by President Ira Grooms on Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2006, at 6:30 p.m. in the Camarillo House, 201 Camarillo Ranch Rd., Camarillo, CA 93012.

PRESENT – Board Members - President Ira Grooms, Secretary Gerry Olsen, Treasurer Susana Reeder (arrived at 6:35 p.m.), Chuck Andrews, Art Goulet, John Hills, Bill Little, Joe Ortiz (left at 7:28 p.m.), Karin Prough (arrived at 6:37 p.m.), Ted Rains (arrived at 6:44 p.m.), Kiran Sahota, and Rose Wisuri (left at 7:35 p.m.). Ex-officio Board Members: none. Others present: Ranch Manager Kristen Richey-Herrera, Docent Chair Susan Andrews, Katie Waunch, and Carmelita Nicholson.

PRESENTATION TO KATIE WAUNCH - Ira Grooms and Rose Wisuri presented a framed Merienda poster to Katie Waunch for her years of service to the Camarillo Ranch Foundation.

MINUTES OF JAN. 11, 2006 MEETING – It was moved by David Carlson, seconded, and unanimously approved that the minutes of the regular meeting of Jan. 11, 2006, be adopted as distributed.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FINANCIAL REPORT – Ira Grooms reviewed the Financial Report, dated Feb.1, 2006. By unanimous consent, the report was received.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Susana Reeder reported the following Foundation balances as of Jan. 31, 2006 – Certificate of Deposit - \$104,421.49; Checking Account - \$69,569.58; Money Market - \$4065.50; UBS - \$7888.78; UBS Endowment - \$10,605.49; and Petty Cash - \$1000, for a total of \$195,542.84. By unanimous consent, the report was received and it was agreed to move more money from the checking account into the certificate of deposit.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – Ira Grooms reported the next Board meeting will be Wednesday, March. 1, 2006, at 6:30 p.m.

REPORTS

BARN FUND-RASING COMMITTEE – Gerry Olsen reported the Barn Fund-Raising Committee will meet Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the Ranch.

HISTORY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Joe Ortiz reported on plans for the 2006 Chat Nights giving names of prospective speakers, on school tours and on the cost of school transportation to and from the Ranch. He said the next committee meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 4:30 p.m. Board members discussed broadening the number of speakers at Chat Nights to include persons with knowledge of the history of Pleasant Valley.

DOCENTS COMMITTEE – Susan Andrews distributed a thank you letter from students who attended a Ranch school tour and said docents will tour St. Mary Magdalen Chapel Thursday, Feb. 9, at 4:30 p.m.

GIFT SHOP – Rose Wisuri reviewed the Gift Shop Financial Report for October through December, 2005, stating the shop had the highest income ever for a three-month period.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – John Hills reported a new security system has been installed and praised the involvement of the Master Gardners at the Ranch. Chuck Andrews said the Ventura County Master Gardners will have a training session at the Ranch Saturday, Feb. 11, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. David Carlson reported that on-site interpretative signs are about to be erected at the Ranch. John Hills reported three needed doors for the Camarillo House have been ordered.

WEB STITE – David Carlson reported he is adding photos from the 2005 Candlelight Gala to the Ranch Web Site.

RANCH MANAGER'S REPORT – Kristin Richey-Herrera reported she is looking for grants to provide funds for rehabilitation of the Mule Barn, on attending a trade show and lecture, and on "Here Comes the Guide" advertising. She said she is checking into an updated phone system.

Following discussion of the Camarillo Hospice Garden Tour Sunday, May 7, which will include the Ranch, it was moved by Art Goulet, seconded, and lost on a 4-6 vote that the Foundation close the Ranch site for the fund raising event May 7. It was then moved by Bill Little, seconded, and unanimously approved that Docents meet visitors, who are not part of the Camarillo Hospice Garden Tour, and the entrance and guide them on a Camarillo House tour.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

STATUS OF GAZEBO PROJECT – Bill Little reported on the progress of the gazebo project in the East Garden.

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REZONING OF CAMARILLO RANCH BUSINESS PARK PARCEL – Bill Little reported the Camarillo City Council voted 3-2 on Jan. 25 to deny referral for a proposal to rezone a parcel of the Camarillo Ranch Business Park just east of the Ranch. Little also reported the City has approved a contract with Architect Michael Faulconer for development of plans for seismic and safety work on the Mule Barn, that plans will be ready by May, and then the work could go to bid in September.

PLANS FOR BOARD RETREAT – Ira Grooms reported the 2006 Board Retreat will be held Saturday, Feb. 25, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at the East Camarillo Branch of the Bank of America.

WEARING OF NAME BADGES – Following discussion, it was agreed by unanimous consent to wear the new name badges at Foundation events.

NEW BUSINESS

2006 FOUNDATION COMMITTEES – Ira Grooms presented the list of 2006 Foundation Committees and asked that any corrections be given to the Secretary. Gerry Olsen will prepare a final draft of 2006 Foundation Committees for the March Board meeting.

2006 MERIENDA – Kiran Sahota presented a copy of 2005 Merienda/Barn Raising Event Wrap-Up Report. Following discussion, it was moved by Ted Rains, seconded, and unanimously approved that the holding of a 2006 Merienda be referred to the Community Relations/Membership Committee, as recommended in the report. Art Goulet reported that next meeting of the Community Relations/Membership Committee will be Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 5:30 p.m.

LOGO TASK FORCE – Following discussion, Ira Grooms appointed the following persons to the Logo Task Force to make a recommendation to the Board regarding a Foundation/Ranch logo – Kiran Sahota, chair; David Carlson, Art Goulet, and Gerry Olsen.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Ira Grooms at 8:03 p.m.

Gerry Olsen, Secretary

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