

Minutes
Volunteer Program Advisory Board
April 28, 2008
Youth Center
16 Park Road

Mission Statement: "To foster goodwill and community spirit in Fairfax through volunteer activities."

Board Members: John Reed, Scott Valentino, Holly Dines, Michael Branton, Melanie Peratis, Anya Schandler, one vacancy

Present: John Reed, Holly Dines, Scott Valentino, Melanie Peratis, Michael Branton, Maria Baird, Community Resources Coordinator, Michael Rock, Town Manager

John called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. The March minutes were approved.

Public Forum-

1. Reports

- **Chair**-John announced that the Town currently has too many existing grants in progress to apply for new grants. Next year, the Non-motorized Transportation Pilot Program Grant will be pursued as part of the Fairfax Trails Project.
- **Treasurer**-Holly reported a new yahoo group similar to Craig's List for Fairfax only is now available for the Volunteers to use as a potential list serve to exchange goods & services.
- **Coordinator**-Maria reported a clean-up of Peri Park is scheduled for Saturday, May 3 from 9-12 noon by Park & Rec member David Smadbeck. New sand will be distributed around the park, and the benches will be sanded and finished with a wood sealant.

2. Projects-

Old Business

- **Fairfax Trails Event**-On Sunday, April 27th Zac Pine conducted the art project from brush collected on the trail at Meernaa & Forrest Terrace. Turnout was rather low.
- **Fairfax Trails Marking project**-In preparation for the project, John notified USA (Underground Service Alert) which ensures that all the local utility companies mark any underground cables to prevent cutting into any wiring/pipes. On Sunday, April 20th, a group of 20 Boy Scouts from Troop 23 in Larkspur installed 6 trailmarkers in the Meernaa &

Forrest Terrace neighborhood. The next neighborhood to be targeted will be Cascade and Tamalpais. Reflectors will be added to the posts to ensure they are visible at night or in the case of fire evacuation.

ACTION ITEM: The Volunteer Board voted to support the Fairfax Trails Pedestrian Pathways as an on-going project by committing future funding from the budget. A sub-committee was formed consisting of John, Holly and Melanie who will serve on the Fairfax Trails project.

- **Fundraising for the Library**-Maria announced that she spoke with Fairfax Librarian Gail Weimann, who is interested in potential funding the Volunteers may raise for the library. Michael will pursue what type of fundraising activities will follow.
- **Printed newsletter or flyer**-Michael received copy from Melanie to update the website. The Volunteer Board decided to prepare a one time printed version of the newsletter that would go out to all residents. They have yet to determine if it will be mailed or leafleted.

New Business

- **Ecofest Table**- The Volunteer Board will once again set up a display table for the Fairfax Festival. The table will include a slide show and information on the neighborhood groups & trailmarking project. It will be staffed by board members and former board members.

Next Meeting: May 27, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., Youth Center.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.