

Arlee Community Development Corporation
Board Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2008

LOCATION: Arlee Alliance Church, McMurtrie Road, Arlee, MT

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Josy Mann, Paul Mollica, Shaun Kendall, Philippa Crawford, Judy Fundingsland, Lisa Samsel

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Carol-Lynne Toleno, Frank White, Donna Mollica, Debra Little-Starratt, Amy Lisk-Thomas, Ron Snyder

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Duff, Gary Decker, Kim Folden, Kelley Brown, Ingrid Fluke, Amy Burland

GUESTS PRESENT: Melea Burke of the Valley Journal

A quorum was not established.

Officers Reports

President: Paul Mollica spoke for Donna in her absence.

On October 1st we received the grant from the Edwards foundation for the art program in the amount of \$14,764.00. The grant will cover all expenses except for supplies.

Community Gardens: We had a productive meeting. The consensus was the community wants to be able to buy organic vegetables from a local food source. Establishing a community garden wouldn't meet this need. The decision was made to put the possibility of some type of CSA/farm stand option into a larger planning process.

Vice President:
No report

Secretary:
No present

Treasurer:
Shaun Kendall says we have done well this year. With receiving the Edwards Grant we should have enough money for Kelley's position for another four to six months. Shaun said the books are solid.

Committee Reports

Jocko Trails: Gary Decker reported that the committee met on October 4th and will have monthly meetings. They are still working on the Fish Hatchery are and will be

scheduling a meeting with Les from the Tribe and George for the Fish Hatchery. They want to work to connect the Jocko Canyon to Valley Creek and the Hatchery and also to downtown. The National Parks Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program provides consulting services through a granting process which the committee is working on. \$5000.00 is available from a private donor. Gary wants to know what funds are available for hiring a grant writer to do the proposal.

Gary asked if Kelley would get meeting notices out. She said she would. Amy Burland brought up the Safe Routes to Schools and receiving monies from them. Gary is aware of this.

Food Buyers Club:

Kelley spoke for Amy Thomas. Amy has scheduled the next three order dates. They are: October 24th with orders received October 31st; November 28th with orders received December 5th and January 2nd with orders received January 7th. All of these dates are Fridays. Amy decided to request orders ahead of time so that she has the opportunity to check them over and contact folks if there are questions. Please make sure to put contact information on your order form. Please make note that orders need to be picked up from The Hangin' Art Gallery no later than 4:00pm on the delivery dates.

Dale mentioned that there is a new way to get into the website and it asks you to choose a location. For those who do not know, the website is www.unfiw.com. In the upper right hand corner click on "Login". Scroll down and on the left side it asks for location, User id and password. The location is Seattle; the user id is donna@blackfoot.net and the password is arleecdc. Click on login in and scroll down where you will see the acct # 000008. Click on that and it lets you into the catalog items. If anyone has questions, call Kelley.

After School Art Program:

Philippa reported that there are 34 kids attending. The two days a week is going well, however, more volunteers are needed. Kelley will email members asking if they can volunteer.

Artist Cooperative:

Judy Fundingsland said the co-op has held two meetings. The first one was with Jan Tusick from LCCDC. Jan presented different types of co-ops. Questions asked were what type of support does the co-op need. Do they need studios? It was agreed that the artists would volunteer at The Hangin' Art Gallery on the 4th of July. The next meeting will be held on November 19th. Judy does not have a time yet, but will get that out. There were between 10 and 13 people in attendance at the meetings and it is a very diverse group.

Holiday Decorating:

Letters to businesses asking for donations need to go out soon and a date needs to be set for decorating.

Recycling:

Kim Folden says the bin is getting full already. It is staying clean as well as the area around it. She checks it a couple times a week and Shaun keeps his eye on it as well and has seen no debris around the bin. Computer and copy paper (any color) can go in as long as it is in boxes or bags. Being able to recycling copy paper is a huge hit at the school. The biology class is doing recycling too. If you see that the bin is getting full, please close the window so that people will fill the next section and so that paper does not blow out. Shaun said we may want to buy bee traps for the summer. Kim says we need permanent signage that can be put into the ground. She will look into the cost. Kim wrote a grant to Coca Cola to look into getting recycle bins for plastic at the school.

New Business

Amy Burland lives out Dumontier and is concerned about the speed limit and kids riding their bikes to school from that area with not paths. She asked if the CDC would write a letter asking that a study be done regarding lowering the speed limit. It would need to go before the Tribe, county commissioners and Department of Transportation and needs to come from a local organization. She has spoken with Kevin Howlett regarding this and will get more information for the next meeting. The board was unable to take a vote since there was no quorum, but the general consensus is that the Board will agree to write a letter. Amy said she is willing to put the letters together.

A Safe Routes to Schools Grant might be able to help with making trails to school. Gary has the person to contact with the Safe Routes to Schools.

Lisa Samsel said that the Jocko Rangers 4H group is selling Christmas wreaths. If anyone is interested in purchasing a wreath and supporting the Jocko Rangers contact Lisa at 726-4343. There are many sizes and varieties to choose from. Orders need to be placed and paid for by November 3rd. Delivery of wreaths will be by Thanksgiving.

Josy Mann said that Jennifer Schall and Becky Malatare would liked to be put on the agenda for November's meeting to ask about a donation for the Arlee youth basketball.

The next meeting of the CDC will be held on November 10th at 6:30pm at The Arlee Alliance Church

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kelley Brown
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