

Five Cities Dog Park Association

P.O. Box 61, Pismo Beach, CA 93448
www.Fivecitiesdogpark.org

Meeting Minutes March 6, 2006 6:55 p.m.

Attendees: Don Boggess, Karen Converse, Crystal Soto, Greg Perry, Mary Ricker, Ray Quintana, Kathy McLaughlin, Mary Heathco, Marvin Robertson, Valerie Breon, Christina Allen, Christina Rauch, Robert Garrett, Dede Dizney, Mike Snellen, Vince Hartman, Merita Hartman, Elizabeth Folh

Meeting Location: Eklund/White Residence, 1040 Fair Oaks Ave, Arroyo Grande, CA

- 1) Introduction of members: Gave members a chance for self introduction and reasons in favor of off leash park
- 2) Recap of last week's achievements
 - i) Cynthia Eklund and Steve White attended SLOPOST Meeting. (501c3 non profit application/membership)
 - ii) Ray Quintana introduced this organization at the Arroyo Grande City Council meeting
 - iii) Several newspaper articles and letters were published
 - iv) Met with Carolyn Johnson (Pismo Beach Parks and Rec)
 - v) Obtained a PO Box:
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PO Box 61
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 - vi) Created a web site: www.fivecitiesdogpark.org
 - vii) Group visited potential site near the South County Library
- 3) Bylaws for this group were reviewed and approved during this meeting
- 4) SLOPOST: Working on completing requirements so that we can obtain non-profit status under the SLOPOST organization.
- 5) Need support of local supervisor for this area
- 6) Action item for Don and Mike to investigate this.
- 7) Officers were voted in during this meeting
 - i) President: Cynthia Eklund
 - ii) Vice President: Mary Heathco
 - iii) Secretary: Ray Quintana
 - iv) Treasurer: Mary Ricker

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- 8) Board members were also named at this meeting
 - a) Greg Perry
 - b) Elizabeth Folb
 - c) Karen Converse
 - d) Christina Allen
 - e) Valerie Breon
 - f) Mike Snellen
 - g) Dede Disney
 - h) Christina Rauch

- 9) Committee Heads were named at this meeting
 - i) Fundrasing: Rasha Windsong
 - ii) Publicity: Elizabeth Kocimski
 - iii) Communications: Valerie Breon

- 10) Fundraising
 - a) This meeting group decided that we wait until nonprofit status is achieved with SLOPOST before aggressively raising funds.
 - b) If funds are collected in the meantime, checks can be made payable to Five Cities Dog Park Association
 - c) Once nonprofit status is obtained, checks can be made payable to Five Cities Dog Park Association/SLOPOST
 - d) Donation receipts can be handled by SLOPOST. A disclaimer should be printed on the receipt that indicates the following: In the event that the Five Cities Dog Park Association does not successfully implement an off-leash dog park area, donated funds will be redirected to another nonprofit group under SLOPOST.

- 11) Printed cards (business cards)
 - ❖ Kathy McLaughlin to investigate cards with assistance from Greg on artwork.

- 12) Publicity
 - ❖ Kathy McLaughlin to investigate booths for farmers markets and strawberry festival.

- 13) Next Meeting: Sunday March 19, 2006 at Round Table in Arroyo Grande (Spencer's shopping center).