

WELL COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING, Jan. 13, 2010

Present: All CC except Dee Maurer; plus Monique Owen

Facilitator: Jane; Minutes: Madge

1. **Minutes of Dec. 9, '09** meeting are approved. To Do list was reviewed, and loose ends acknowledged.

2. **Planning for 2010:** Most of this will be discussed at the social gathering on Jan. 22. Ideas for longer-term future might include a health care coop for Willits, and a local insurance system (property & liability) for the County.

We did identify Mar. 21 (Equinox!) as the likely date for next general meeting, which will focus on home gardens and also include Spring election of CC members (Richard, Jane, and Dee's seats are "up").

Janice will contact Transition Towns to see about possible dates for a special speaker event.

3. **2010 Budget:** Several items in the draft budget were revised as follows:

- In-kind contributions may need to be identified (e.g. Freddie's accounting help and Janice's newsletter work).
- Ad sales revenue should be \$480.
- Postage and printing line items should be limited to non-newsletter, at approx. \$30 and \$40 respectively.
- Newsletter costs should be raised to \$480. We may look into other printers. (Quality was not great for this issue.)

Budget was approved as revised. Madge will make changes.

The \$800 insurance item was discussed, with ideas for either sharing insurance coverage with another group (e.g. NCO?) or offering coverage to others for a fee, provided we have a policy to govern such sponsorship. Freddie and/or Janice may look into this. Janice also mentioned she has some ideas for further fundraising events.

4. **Jan. 31 General Meeting re: Local Currencies.** Jane & Holly have developed plans including Bret Cooperrider (Mendo Moola), Derrick Huntington (credit points), and someone about MFF credits. Jane will also contact Oliver (Antonia's friend). It's suggested the program include a brief background on reasons for local currency, maybe a power point (ask Cyndee if we can have equipment for that). Also ask presenters for info hand-outs.

Marilyn B. will do a poster and print 8-1/2x11's; Kimbal will do postering. Holly will send Madge PSAs to be sent to print & radio media, perhaps including in-depth op-ed about local currencies. Holly will MC the event.

It's mentioned that Mendo-Lake C.U. may be considering a branch in Willits.

5. **Community Development Grant:** CC approved applying for a grant for Annie Waters' cooking classes (for low-income scholarships and to provide

crock-pots), as noted in email. If we don't get a grant this year, we should plan ahead, say Nov. 2010, for a suitable project next year.

6. **Membership Roster:** Madge has done some emails and calls for renewals; Monique is updating info. We hope Roger will help organize our computer systems very soon.
7. **WISC Garden, Calendar, Service Day:** Jane reports that Mason is working on these projects, with help from high school on WISC garden signage. Calendar ideas will begin in summer. Service day is next Monday (MLK day), with visiting VISTA workers and many locals involved, planting trees, etc.
8. **Flyers and Cards:** Holly concerned about low-cost cards being non-local; will price doing it locally. Madge will work on an update of the tri-fold flyers as time permits. For the short-run, we'll do new member sign-up sheet and insert with calendar updates.
9. **Newsletter Ads:** Richard is promoting this well! He'll follow up on a few suggested additions (Sol Solutions, Sparetime, Leaves of Grass...)
10. **Office Procedures:** Kimbal generally checks mail, email, phone at least weekly and will forward items needing action (so far there's been little). Once the computer is re-organized, it would be good to have a procedures manual.
11. **End of Ind. Civilization Tabling Jan. 16:** WELL's table at this event at the Art Center will be covered by Madge, Freddie, and Jane (with Holly helping Madge on set-up at 6:30).
12. **Next CC Meeting Feb. 10:** Kimbal will facilitate.

Jane also mentioned progress on a group working with City staff to maintain the Redwood Ave. water conservation park. The greenhouse has been moved.