

## WELL CoCom Minutes of Dec. 8, 2014

Attendees: CC members Tim, Madge, Paul and Kimbal; plus Beth and Sarah Schuyler. Facilitator: Madge; Notes by Kimbal

1. **Minutes** of Nov. 10, '14 are approved.
2. **Early 2015 Program:** We review Mary Zellachild's list of ideas, some of which will be for later in the year. John Jeavons is considered best option, if available, for Jan.-Feb. program. Possibly Public Banking and/or issue of Caltrans' eradication proposal (herbicide use) in northern Valley.
3. **Election of Officers/Check-Signers:** Holly and Kimbal were re-elected to the CC at our Nov. 16 membership/brainstorm meeting. We nominate and approve by acclamation re-election of our officers: Holly as President; Madge as Secretary; and Kimbal as Treasurer. We also approve those officers plus Sarah Schuyler as our new check-signers (Sarah replacing Lila Ryan).
4. **Ideas for Jan-Feb Newsletter:** Ideas include rain-water harvesting, update on Farm School, review of brainstorm (Kimbal will try to locate the notes!); Brooktrails Comm'ty Garden; Grange Greenhorns and Farm Hack (ethanol production). Also year-end financial report and 2015 budget.
5. **Website Update:** Tim reports that the new template is progressing well; moving some content to it. He will call a meeting with Paul & Madge soon to fill in format and content. We approve up to \$50 to get updates on the template.  
We also approve up to \$125 for renewing our two domain names (well95490.org and .com) for five years. Tim will do those.
6. **Memberships, Financial & Budget:** Sarah reports count of members, total 220, with 114 not yet renewed for 2015. Mid-January we'll send another renewal notice.  
Madge notes the main shortfalls from our 2014 budget to our 2014 actuals are receiving less in memberships and donations. We came out in the black primarily because of Lila volunteering all her time.  
For 2015, we adopt the budget with several changes to get close to balance:
  - Some bookkeeping corrections;
  - We approve raising membership by \$10 for those who wish to receive newsletter by US mail (to cover printing & postage costs);
  - We expect to save on insurance cost (quote of \$500) and increase insurance reimbursements (see below);
  - We will not budget giving any grants.Madge will distribute a revised budget, and it will be in the next newsletter.
7. **Use of WELL Insurance:** We review and approve co-sponsoring two events (without our being promoted) as consistent with our mission, as follows:

- Jan. 17, 10-4, free workshop discussing “what will it take to build an independent social movement...” organized by Margaret Koster (Move to Amend) – subject to a \$25 reimbursement; and
- Dec. 27, 6-11pm, dance-fundraiser for “Dragonfly,” a new group seeking to educate and develop action on preventing violence, organized by Pooba – conditioned on receiving a written description of info and subject to a \$50 reimbursement.

We also adopt a policy on future use of our insurance:

- a) We must first find the event to be consistent with our mission to co-sponsor it (with or without being promoted as such);
- b) We receive \$25 reimbursement for meeting-type events, and \$50 for dance or other special events (provided no alcohol is allowed);
- c) We may choose to waive fees for some events.

8. **Review To Do List:** Many items already done. Items still in limbo are listed in the new To Do list below.

9. **Next Meeting:** Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30, Holly facilitating.