

**CMG Board Meeting
Sunday 1-17-2016
Sacramento, CA**

In Attendance:

16 Board Members

Charlie Malarkey, Mohabee Serrano, Dave Clark, Matthew Sunderland, Jamie Simmons, Lee Usher, Ben-Andy Hein, Frank Rothacker, Drew Blanchar, Jim Ruboyianes*, Joe Wagenhofer, Norman Skonovd, Cat Walker, Jeff Rykhuis, Vic Fusilero*, Clay Kilgore

**indicates substitute for regular Board Representatives.*

Absent Board Members:

Blaidd Peisinger (Arts and Activities),

Vacant Positions on the Board: Marketing and Outreach; Community Activities Coordinator.

Visitors: Richard Farshler, William Ketchum

Elders Present: Jim Ruboyianes, Joe Wagenhofer

Meeting Opened: 12:19 PM

Old Business And Reports

Minutes of November. 21, 2015 Meeting (Julian, CA)

12Y; 0n; 1A *Approved as presented.*

2016 Gathering Budgets

85th CMG (Spring, 2016) at Pathfinder Ranch (Vic Fusilero)

A 3-Tier System will be offered to attendees: \$260 is lowest tier; \$385 is the highest). Expenses \$22,400--a low budget for this Gathering is favored. This is a break-even budget with a 13% contribution to Statewide Account. Fixed cost: \$2,400 for 120 men; net minimum \$217 per paid man attending; estimated \$200 per paid attendee cost. Camp Cost is \$160 per man.

Dave reviewed this budget, and recommends that the Board accept. In the contract, there is a line for heating the pool, but no line for the repair cost for the pool heater. The Camp Shalom container sale will bring in \$700. Ben Andy seconds. Vote tally: 12Y; 0N; 0A *This budget is approved.*

86th CMG (Summer, 2016) at Camp Newman (Charlie Malarkey)

Charlie says there are 9 planners. Theme is "In the Jungle", for a gathering will all sorts of "wild" possibilities. Three income levels; \$250 is lowest; \$445 is the highest. Projected Income: \$41,650.00. Comps are offered to lifeguards, Community Gathering leaders, the Registrar, and others.

Green bus fee was raised \$5 to offset loss on this transportation. Storage room was changed, and the annual rental is higher. The budget Charlie sent the Treasurer was different from the one sent out for the Board to review, but he recommends that approval be made.

Dave Clark checked the final budget, and discovered that there was a \$5,000 drop in revenue, in the revised budget. Charlie was unable to respond in regard to this difference. The bottom line is that there will be sufficient cash and earnings to hold this Gathering. Dave moves that this budget be approved as presented, but future changes can be made by the Planners, and approved by the Treasurer. Revisions to this preliminary budget will be reported at a later Board Meeting. Ben-Andy seconds.

Vote tally: 10Y, 2A; 0N. *Budget approved as presented, with revisions pending.*

Appointed Board Member Elections

Matthew introduced each of the current appointed officers. The Community Services Director position was dropped at the 2016 AMM meeting. Each LEC and PC is encouraged to select a person to interact with local organizations and activities. There is an open position for Marketing and Outreach Director. Matthew reminded the Board that each term of service is three years, subject to annual approval by the Board of Directors. This is done each year at the Annual Member's Meeting weekend. Those who are re-elected after the third consecutive year participate in Board Meetings, but no votes may be cast by these incumbent officers.

Development Director Joe Wagenhofer is re-elected. Vote Tally: Y:12; N-0

Fund-Raising activities will continue in 2016, with an emphasis in Long-Term donations and Retirement Planning. Development Director will find Retirement Planning workshop leaders, to offer workshops during Gatherings and LEC events, in the coming year.

Joe Wagenhofer is re-elected to the Development Director position, his third year in this term of service.

Tech Director Lee Usher is elected to this position. Vote tally: 11Y; 0N

Advises board on technical matters, and also oversees registration site maintenance, and advises the Board about possible changes to our electronic infrastructure. Lee was installed temporarily last year, to serve *pro tem* after the previous Tech Director, Tony Clark, resigned.

Lee Usher is elected as Tech Director. This is his first year in this term of service.

Archivist/Historian Cat Walker is re-elected to this position. Vote Tally: 12Y; 0N

The CMG Archivist/Historian collects, organizes, and provides a public service of bringing CMG history to light.

Cat Walker is re-elected as the Archivist/Historian, his third year in this term of service.

Communications Director Drew Blanchar is re-elected to this position. Vote Tally: 11Y; 1N

The CMG Communications Director manages the communications both internal and external, and works closely with Planning Committees and LECs, as well as the Board of Directors. The CD is the person who oversees the planning and distribution of any printed item, or published item, which promotes CMG events and activities.

Drew Blanchar is re-elected as the Communications Director, his third year in this term of service.

Registrar Clay Kilgore is re-elected to this position. Vote tally: 11Y; 0N

The CMG Registrar collects the names and info of Gathering and Local Events attendees, and manages the databases.

Clay Kilgore is re-elected as Registrar, his second year in this term of service.

Webmaster *Jim Ruboyianes is re-elected to this position. Vote Tally: 11Y; 1N*

The CMG Webmaster oversees the entire web presence to the public. Works with tech people, and also touches with PCs and what their needs are, for a web presence of a Gathering. Jim told the Board that he was unable to come in contact with Fabian Maes, who was selected by the Board, to train with Jim, and then take on this position, in 2015.

Jim Ruboyianes is re-elected as Webmaster, and is a non-voting Member of the Board of Directors. This is his 13th consecutive year of service in this position.

Arts and Activities Director *Joel (“Blaidd”) Peisinger is re-elected to this position. Vote tally: 13Y; 0N*

Blythe Peisinger, who is absent from this meeting, wants to return as the Arts and Activities Director.

The Arts and Activities Director encourages artists, musicians, and other art leaders, to participate in Gatherings and Loca Events. This Director also oversees the database planning, for producing a Skills and Interests Inventory.

Joel Peisinger is re-elected as Arts and Activities Director, his third year in this term of service.

Data Manager *(no longer an elected director position)*

Ben-Andy Hein says that it was begun early in the web years, when we needed to preserve and protect personal data of general members. Ben-Andy has been serving in this capacity for the past 13 years, and plans to continue in 2016.

Board Representatives

86th CMG

Frank Rothacker is the newly-elected Board Rep.

LEC-DC

Desert Cities is at a low time in membership, with only three planners. Jamie, Matthew, and Mohabee are the current officers.

85th CMG

Vic is the substitute for the Board Rep., Larry Geller, for both the AMM and this Board Meeting.

LEC-LA

Jeff Rykhuis is the Board Rep., highlights: An MD will lead stroke-awareness workshops.

LEC-BA

Charlie Malarkey is serving as Board Rep. Jo Jo Rodrigues may be selected to serve in this capacity.

LEC-SD

Jim Ruboyianes is serving as interim Board Rep. The LEC-SD is seeking hosts with swimming pools, for upcoming parties in San Diego.

Next Meeting

A teleconference, in late March, is to be announced. Future meetings are planned during the three Gatherings in 2016.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:10 PM