

**Minutes – Executive Board Meeting ---
Hearts And Lives**

March 4, 2009 **3:00 P.M.**

Coldwell Banker Sky Ridge Realty Conference Room

In Attendance: Ira Maser, Gerry Porter, Cynthia Carley, Stacey McKay
Bill Stanley, Pat Cormican, Bill Stanley, Dave Stuart,
Jeff Perlis, Mack Braden, Tom Bachman

Meeting was called to order by Ira Maser at 3:05 P.M.

Approval of February 8, 2008 Minutes: Motion to approve by Jeff Perlis;
Second Pat Cormican; MSP

Director's Report:

Dave Stuart gave the Executive Director's Report – details attached.

Financial Reports:

Ira Maser presented a review of our current financials. A motion to approve was made by Gerry Porter and seconded by Jeff Perlis to accept the financials. MSP.

Ira Maser -Sustainability:

The Red Cross decisions have been delayed again. There are 11 pending cases; letters were sent this week. A discussion ensued concerning the establishment of a committee of Directors to disburse our funds in an effort to expedite the use of the monies we now have on hand.

A motion made by Jeff Perlis and seconded by Pat Cormican to take back control of the disbursement of these funds was passed. Stacey McKay made a motion seconded by Bill Stanley to establish a special committee of Board Members to review these cases and make the decisions. This motion also passed.

Ready, Respond, Recover

A new brochure was distributed and an update given on current efforts. The Red Cross is still in the realm of possibility. We continue to look for statewide sponsors at the \$25,000 level as well as local businesses to participate at lesser amounts.

We are also hoping for some legislative support in terms of the current, proposed Good Samaritan law and the potential of a mandated community program to work with the Ready, Respond, Recover program statewide.

In an effort to seek innovative ways to sustain our organization, we also had a lengthy discussion of the possibility of participation in Shop to Earth, a program in which Pat Cormican is involved. While we saw some definite possible approaches here, this discussion was tabled for further information.

The Board also directed Dave Stuart to begin work on the potential for a Board Resolution to wind down operations should that become a necessity.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Director's report:

Rebuilding Mountain Hearts & Lives Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, March 4, 2009 3:00 PM

Coldwell Banker Board Room – Blue Jay

BREAKING NEWS:

Special State election scheduled May 19th. H & L will be impacted by Prop 1D.

The ballot addresses the funds which are currently funded under Proposition 10 (Tobacco Tax Money) for First 5. The intention of the ballot item is to.... *“redirect those funds to other projects – namely to protect health and human services for children, including services for at-risk families, services for children with disabilities, and services for foster children. Temporarily allows the redirection of existing money to funds health and human service programs for children 5 years old and under. Ensures counties retain funding for local priorities Helps balance state budget.”*

- H & L is a finalist for SBA “Phoenix Award” to be presented in Washington D.C. during Small Business Administration week May 17th – May 22nd. Announcement to be made by May 1st.
- H & L advised that we will receive a special award from San Bernardino County Superintendent of Education for our work.
- Cheryl Nagy has been approved to lead a 90 minute workshop at National Conference on Volunteerism – San Francisco June 22-24
- H & L has been accepted as a partnering organization with Change a Life Foundation. As such, we are eligible to submit individual grant request on behalf of our clients. Staff training is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, March 3rd.

I. Disaster Recovery

Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC):

To date only three (3) clients have been approved; **total Awarded: \$123,065.95.** [H&L = \$73,218.95, Catholic Charities = \$49,847.00]. H & L has \$651,781.05 yet to award.

Rebuilding: Cheryl Nagy Activities: See attached report.

Currently coordinating an upcoming meeting with Santa Barbara County and San Bernardino County officials to review “lessons learned” and future expectations.

II. Rim Communities Resource Network:

Attached is a “DRAFT” copy of the minutes from the February 11th meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 11th, 2:00 PM at Fire Station #91

III. First 5:

February 28th we received 3rd funding segment = \$49,244 (25% of contract). Have now received 90% of 2009 – 2001 Contract.

Note: Any revisions to First 5 2008 – 2009 contract has to be submitted by March 31st.

February 24th attended, with Bev, First 5 meeting: ***“Effective Use of Data for Program and Initiative Improvement”***

Family Resource Centers

- 24 total partner programs
- Award allocation \$7.2 million
- Expended \$6.7 million (93%)
- Over 50,000 children and parents serviced
- Over 40% of clients had annual income less than \$10,000

Gronley Benefit Dinner – Sunday February 8th - raised approximately \$1,700 (Will be used for furniture, labor expense incurred with flooring, and some building materials that were purchased)

Miscellaneous:

Grant update: See report attached from Julie Burnette

Lake Arrowhead Villages will be doing a fund raiser for H & L on Sunday June 14th.

Will soon be distributing the car seats in conjunction with CHP.

Working on development on “Monthly Giving Program”

Director of Community Recovery – March 2009 - Board Report

Throughout February I traveled twice to Sacramento to work with the Governor's Disaster Corp. I recently traveled as a guest at the State Citizen Corp Meeting to assist in presenting the Disaster Corp plan with California Volunteers and Secretary Karen Baker. Secretary Baker has asked that I participate on the Membership Committee to assist in the creation of the Disaster Corp. Membership Packet that will be given to each interested organization and individual. The Governor is still planning to launch the Disaster Corp. in June 2009 at the National Conference on Volunteering and Service. My proposal to conduct a 90 minute workshop at this conference has been accepted and I will be working with conference staff to insure the workshop is a success.

Julie B and I have been working on finalizing the date for the Car Seat Safety Fair, which currently is being planned for May 9, 2009, working with CHP and CalTrans along with other agencies and sponsors.

COAD meetings are taking place on a monthly basis – with the Executive Board working hard to get the COAD up and running. I recently spoke at Mountain Sunrise Rotary regarding both COAD and disaster response plans for the future of our community and out of the area.

I continue to assist Slide and Grass Valley fire victims with building permits, insurance and county issues. The county building and safety dept. has changed personnel so I am currently working on getting updated numbers on how many homes are actually in the rebuild phase.