

Peach Power Committee meeting minutes: Jan 23, 2012, 6pm at 442 Lawrence, Eugene OR; present in person: Andy Strickland, Bill Ganser (guest), Tony Clemente, attending online: Anna Scott, Sarah Haimowitz, George Patterson, Mark Johnson, Geoffrey Johnson; Nancy Maniago, scribe

Capital Projects for the committee were reviewed:

- ✦ Anna is unsure if PP Cttee has power to spend money without BOD approval and charter is unclear... Tony is here to facilitate communication with the budget cttee
- ✦ Tony is learning that capital projects process is lengthy and this is different because PP has money
  - Anna is unclear what needs to go to BOD and what power PPC has to just go ahead and use money
- ✦ Peach Power Cttee is ready to take on what the Budget Committee needs to fund
  - Bill thinks PP is kind of like a mini-budget cttee
  - Anna thinks the Budget Cttee wants to have an OK in the process; this is what she interprets to be the process from the charter; this needs to be clarified
  - Tony will clarify this with the Budget Cttee; different circumstance as PP has \$40,000 from green tickets. Cttee and Tony feels the BOD would give PP ability to spend up to a certain amount of money
- ✦ Solar Roller Update
  - Option A: repair existing panels
  - Option B: purchase new panels
    - they are cheap right now
    - George reports panels are of unknown quality, and not producing enough power
  - Discussion over Inverter vs Panels
    - inverter uses power from the panels
    - panels produce power
    - inverter capable of supporting many more panels but will then lose ability to be mobile; 8-10 panels could be put on the roller, but this defeats its movability
    - Tony reports its used at the sticker booth and then at Tickets West during the event; is visible to public

- Anna wants to maintain portability
  - PP Cttee recommends purchase of new panels
- ♣ Bike parking structure discussion
  - Andy presented drawings for 2 options
    - a linear design which could hold up to 20 bikes; is more user friendly; 20' long
    - circular design which would accommodate fewer bikes
    - cttee discussed a trial of each type to see which would work best
  - PP Cttee decided to purchase 5 of the linear type and one of the circular type
  - Discussion of bike parking at the Ritz
    - want to discourage bike parking there, but people leave bikes locked to gates or trees
    - Cttee decides to put circular structure there
  - final decision: 7 units, 5 linear, 2 circular for a cost of \$1,000
- ♣ Mycology
  - Geoffrey reports the project does not require funding this year, they are growing well and need at least one more year of growth before more funding is needed
  - This will be a Capital Project for 2013
  - Geoffrey will put an article in the Fair Family News
  - there will be a visual display on site during the event at the same location as in 2011
- ♣ Teleconferencing/Communication Upgrades
  - using purchased device has allowed fair family to communicate internationally and intercontinentally while saving money
  - agreement that PP Cttee will allocate some funds for upgrades (Marc, George, Sarah, Anna)
  - Anna says Cttee does not want to pay for subscription service, would rather purchase physical equipment
  - Proposal for PP to allocate \$1500 for this is supported by Anna, Sarah and Marc, with the caveat that staff give input on what the money would be used for

- Tony will take suggestion to the Budget Committee for a 40" LCD TV, and projector
- ✦ Composting Toilets
  - one has been donated, there are 2 others available for purchase at BRING; each can accommodate use by 3 people
  - Andy will check out the 2 at BRING and see if he can strike a deal for them
  - if possible 3 units will be stored on-site with installation put aside until 2013
  - there are 5 Honey Buckets maintained on-site year round and not certain if they are regularly used
  - this will allow OCF to showcase different technology to the community
- ✦ Anna and Sarah will present information to the BOD on purchase of a camera for observation of turtles
  - goal is to restore habitat for turtles
  - Anna believes PP focuses on the health of the land and wildlife conservation should go to another committee; but is willing to use PP funds for purchase of the observation camera as its not expensive

Committee adjourned at 7:30pm

Next meeting date is February 27, 2012 at 6 pm