

MFPD District Auxiliary – D’Ax

Board meeting February 6, 2023

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was conducted by Vice President Dee Harris (DH), as President Meredith Blain (MB) was out of town. (Board members’ names are abbreviated for shorthand in this document)

The agenda was approved with several additional items to be discussed (preapproved expenditures):

- Aprons with screen printing
- Badges
- Crayon packs with coloring books

The motion to approve the agenda with the listed additions was made by Melissa Stever (MS) and seconded by Devon Beesley (DB), it passed unanimously.

Additional items were put forward to be discussed:

- Projector & screen – Trent Williams
- Chili cookoff – Cheryl Owen
- Pancake breakfast – Chief Jack Rosevear

The Minutes of the January meeting were approved; motion made by Diane Brady (DMB), seconded by Mellissa Stever (MS), passed unanimously.

Approval of the By Laws was tabled until the March meeting to allow all members to read the final version and provide input if any. Motion made by DMB; seconded by MS, passed unanimously.

Non-profit status of the D’Ax is waiting for approval of the By Laws. The documentation has been submitted to the IRS by MS, also to the California Franchise Tax Board (FTB). The process will take up to 9 months but the approval will be retroactive. Melissa will need reimbursement for the fees.

Treasurer’s report:

- Domain and email account
- Storage
- Badges for hats

There was discussion about hats that are sold to the public and what had been sold at past events.

DMB made motion to buy 25 hats in time for the chili cookoff & breakfast; MS seconded, passed unanimously.

The Treasurer’s report continued with a discussion of the inventory list that was completed with the help of Dan & Julee Hunt; we are getting additional items from the veterans’ group that disbanded.

We grossed \$1,070 from the last breakfast, with approximately half of that amount being profit. The total was about \$1,200 when including sales of hats and T shirts.

The Chief's sees the breakfasts as a way to involve the community rather than a fundraising event.

MS stated that James Young's mother and others from the disbanded veterans group want to help with our breakfasts & are willing to do so twice per month.

Trent pointed out the first Saturday of the month is when the Support Group trains and wanted the D'Ax board to be aware to avoid time conflicts.

A third debit card has been (or will be) issued to the Chief; he stressed the need for it for emergency spending during a disaster.

Communications report:

- Devon stated she has T shirts and swag
- She made the flyer for the breakfast & the radio people will be there; the Chief and Trent talked about coordination
- MS asked if the crafters will be involved – unknown
- Office Max donated the printing of the flyers

Dee reported on Valentine gift boxes: they are \$20 per box while costing us \$5; she is donating stuff, Shar is taking the money.

Storage shed – Karen Paul researched options & provided a handout. Her recommendation is as follows: first choice is All Star (for which she provided the quote sheet), and her second choice would be a Tuff Shed rep she spoke to. She stated there is no permit needed for a 10x12 shed. The Chief said they will plan to match it to the existing support shed. It will have a vent but no window. The Chief needs the space D'Ax is using for storage for an air compressor. MS stated we have the money for this purchase. (\$3,375 per the All Star quote sheet)

Mary Williams gave a brief rundown on the November fundraiser hosted by MVFA and the pilots' association: there is approximately \$6,000 left; \$500 is available to spend on the chili cookoff.

Cheryl Owen discussed the Battle of the Badges (chili cookoff); it is a benefit for Snowline Hospice. The Chief wants people from our appreciation dinner to attend; he will also invite the other competitors to participate in our chili cookoff in May. The Chief will ask the organizer if Mosquito numbers can be tracked.

DH brought up an idea for major fundraisers: possibly a food & wine pairing? DMB suggested local wineries may want to be involved; DH said they have come to Frank's in the past for similar events.

Requests for purchases: cake, plaques, microphone. The microphone was paid from the money raised at the November event; D'Ax to pay for cake and plaques.

There will be no reimbursement without prior approval.

Kirk donated handwashing station/supplies and \$50.

DH gave MS a check for T shirts. She got aprons with logo screen-printed for the Feb 18 chili cookoff, plus name holders and badges; was quoted \$185 for the screen printing but her daughter did it for \$80.

Cheryl will take the debit card for food shopping for the chili cookoff.

Additional equipment discussed as follows: crock pots, metal rolling carts, snow cone & popcorn makers. The Chief may have a small crock pot or warmer for syrup.

Trent gave prices for the projector and screen (as D'Ax is currently borrowing): \$160 for the projector & \$125 for a screen that pulls down over the washer & dryer. But it was also discussed whether the screen should be moveable rather than attached to the wall. A motion was made by MS to approve the purchase, with DB seconding; motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm by DMB and seconded by DB; passed.

Meeting agenda attached below:

The District Auxiliary – Mosquito* Meeting Announcement

The District Auxiliary – Mosquito*, aka D'Ax, will meet on Monday, February 6th at 6:30 pm at the Mosquito Station 75. All members of the Mosquito Fire Protection District are invited to attend.

DRAFT Agenda

Approve Agenda*

Approve January Minutes

Approve D'Ax Bylaws

Update on Non-Profit Status

Treasurer Report

Communications Report

Valentine Gift Update

Status of MVFAs Station 75 proceeds from the November Fundraiser event – Mary Williams

Upcoming events

- Chili Competition – February 18th – Cheryl Owen
- Pancake Breakfast – March 4th –
- 2023 D'Ax Events

*Board members may add items to the Agenda at the beginning of the public meeting.

Updated 2/2/23 @ 9:45am