

**Middle Fork Willamette Watershed Council
Board of Directors Meeting
December 19, 2007
6:00-8:30 p.m.
Redneck Yacht Club
155 East Main Street, Lowell**

Present: Chip Weber, Pat Burns, Gregg Vollstedt, Chuck Davis, Eve Montanaro, Cary Hart, Don Hampton

Welcome and Agenda Review—no changes

Announcements

Chip—Jim's Creek project ready to go
Indigo Creek channel diversion—bull trout being produced (possible tour for mfwwc folks at May general council meeting)
Congressional authorization for fisheries from Federal gas tax

Gregg Vollstedt— His livelihood depends upon the watershed
Use of water for his business is important
Two farms—one on Big Fall Ck.; the other on Little Fall Ck.
Added water rights from Bureau of Reclamation
Millions of blueberry plants produced and shipped all over the world

Budget review

Budget recommended by the Finance Committee.

Restoration projects have visible effect on the economy, the environment and the visibility of MFWWC.

Eve guided the group through the proposed budget: items in black are “for sure” money sources; items in blue are grant moneys applied for but not yet received.

Approve 2008 Budget

Pat Burns moved on behalf of the Finance Committee to approve the proposed 2008 budget. Motion approved.

Approval of November 28 Board meeting minutes

Cary Hart moved and Pat Burns seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the November 28 Board meeting (with a name-spelling correction). Motion carried.

Executive Director Update

Office manager hiring process—after an extension of one month for applications, three applicants have been chosen for interviews, which will occur on January 3, 2008. A final selection will be made around January 9. Training will follow hiring.

Grant submittals—(1) Eco-Trust grant submittal=\$100,000 for Buck Creek project. (2) DEQ grant submittal=\$102,000 in “319” funds submitted in collaboration with the Long Tom Watershed Council and the Coast

Fork Watershed Council.

Awards—nothing to report

Miscellaneous—Eve will be taking next week off. Eve thanked the group for its efforts throughout the year.

Meeting dates—next general meeting on **January 16 at the Lowell Fire Hall**. This will be a potluck beginning at 6:30. The next MFWWC Board meeting will be on January 23 at 6 p.m. at Lowell City Hall.