Minutes

Volunteer Program Advisory Board May 20, 2019 Youth Center 16 Park Road

<u>Mission Statement</u>: "To foster goodwill and community spirit in Fairfax through volunteer activities."

Members in attendance: Geo Taylor, Georgia Gibbs, Veronica Geretz, Marcia Custer, Jesse Hoffman. Staff in attendance: Maria Baird, Recreation & Community Services Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. The minutes of the April 22nd meeting were approved with the following changes: Veronica was reimbursed for Seder expense; proceeds of the Fairfax Talent Showcase will benefit the Fairfax Food Pantry.

1) Reports

- Chair –Geo requested Maria secure a guest speaker for Creek Clean-up, which will be on Saturday, July 27th. The group suggested Maria buy trash pickers for the creek clean-up.
- Treasurer- Marcia reported that the Volunteer's remaining budget was \$452 in the Town account, and the checking account balance was \$6,250.22.
- Coordinator Maria announced that chipper days are being scheduled for the summer beginning July 13 and will run 5 consecutive weekends until August 10.
- **Discussion** Veronica announced she has gotten the approval to host the Meditation event in Bolinas Park on Friday, June 21st at 5 p.m.

2) New Business

- a) Fairfax Talent Showcase- the event was extremely successful, and the level of talent much exceeded the expectations of the Board. Overall, the talent showcase featured 6 performers. A total of \$626 was received in donations! The donations will benefit the Fairfax Food Pantry. Marcia made a few suggestions as to specific ways for the food pantry to spend the proceeds: purchase turkeys at Thanksgiving for the food bank recipients (currently they are just provided with chicken), buy a new refrigerator to hold perishables, or buy a new freezer to store food. Geo will pass those suggestions on to Katharine Harts. Katharine is leaving the Fairfax Community Church as pastor, and a parishioner named Tara will be taking over the food pantry functions. Marcia suggested Tara work with Edit at the SF-Marin Food Bank to ensure continuity of the program.
- b) Fairfax Festival Eco-Fest booth coverage— The Board decided this year against staffing a table at Eco Fest. Instead, resources will be diverted to staffing a table shared by the Artists-in-Residence in Bolinas Park and PARC in the children's area on the ball field. Maria will notify Allison Ritter.