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Minutes

LowCountry CERT Board of Directors Meeting

April 30, 2009

6:30 pm

Tom Crosby's Home, Mt. Pleasant

Attendees: Tom Crosby, David Dawson, Art George, Jim Tarter, Alan Laughlin, Greer Farrell, Stephen Haynsworth, Tim Kiel, Steven Jaume, George Bower, Danica Sancic

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by Tom Crosby, Board Chairman
- 2) The agenda was distributed to all in attendance.
- 3) Introductions were made by all in attendance.
- 4) Minutes for November were unavailable for approval and no minutes exist for the February annual meeting.
- 5) Treasurer Report
Balance \$1972.59
 - a) Former Treasurer Michele Guilford gave financial update.
 - b) \$250 member donation came in 1st quarter as well as \$134 from United Way.
 - c) Michele issued letters for all Board members to present at any First Federal branch to be added as authorized signer to the checking account.
 - d) Michele has been and will continue to transition Treasurer Functions to new Treasurer, David Dawson.
- 6) Election
 - a) Tom Crosby certified the results of the 2009 election.
 - i) Danica Sancic's election results are attached to these minutes.
 - ii) There were 42 members who attended, barely making a quorum.
 - b) Tom Crosby verified that positions were being transferred.
 - i) Susan is not available to transfer files to Michele Guilford.
 - ii) Michele Guilford is transferring duties to David Dawson.
- 7) Old Business – None
- 8) New Business – None
- 9) Committees
 - a) Fundraising
 - i) Written report by Anand Shunmugavel, oral report by James Tarter
 - ii) Meeting held 4/15
 - iii) Request more members to become involved. Discussed funding sources.
 - b) Membership
 - i) Written report by Barbara Eggers-Parker
 - ii) Meeting held 2/2
 - iii) Membership list is up-to-date. Committee working toward existing membership rather than new.
 - c) Communications
 - i) New chair – George Bower
 - ii) They are working to schedule a meeting. There was discussion regarding who maintains the website. Jim Tarter explained the arrangement with the county. Also discussed the future means of communication with membership, including the possibility of a newsletter.
 - d) Continuing Education
 - i) Written and oral report by Greer Farrell
 - ii) Committee is looking for CE opportunities to offer to membership. The goal is to encourage people to attend training and to design training guidelines for continued membership.
 - e) Community Events
 - i) Chair – Tom Crosby



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- ii) Upcoming events
 - (1) 5/8 Riverdogs
 - (2) 5/27 MUSC Hurricane Awareness event
 - (3) 6/6 Folly Beach CERT Hurricane Expo @ Lowes
 - (4) August Charleston Hurricane Expo
- f) Disaster Response
 - i) Chair – Alan Laughlin
 - ii) CERT drill scheduled for 5/9. Some teams are participating in backpack reviews to determine the worthiness of items in backpacks.
 - iii) Rally points are missing for several teams. Alan is still working to complete the list.
- 10) Swine Flu
 - i) Jim Tarter distributed up-to-date information on the pandemic. There have been 13 confirmed cases in SC and will likely be more. He recommended the county and CDC websites for more details.
- 11) Floor Comments
 - a) Jim Tarter had updates on CERT training in the tri-county area. SLED has not released the funds for the tri-county CERT training program. There is enough money for 1 30-person class. The county building is no longer open for weekend use so we're researching an alternative location. Berkley and Dorchester counties will be observing this training and will host and teach the next session.
- 12) Next Meeting
 - a) Thursday, 7/30, location TBD
- 13) Adjourn
 - a) 8:35pm

Submitted April 30, 2009
Michele Guilford