

# STMA Board Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday, March 10, 2010

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>March 10, 2010</b>	<b>MEETING TYPE:</b>	Board & Committees
<b>FACILITATOR:</b>	Don Scholl	<b>TIME ALLOTMENT:</b>	10:30AM – 12PM
<b>RECORDER:</b>	Scott Warr	<b>MEETING LOCATION:</b>	Beals Alliance & Verde Design – conference call

**Attendees:** Verde Design Office: Jim Springer, Scott Warr Beals Associates Office: Don Scholl, Mark Lucas, Heather Mazzanti, Christiana Tjhin, Eric Dexter, Mike Smith, John Burke, Tim McCoy.

- I. Board member reports
  - a. President: Don Scholl
    - i. Welcome new Board members
    - ii. CPRS Conference update
    - iii. Newsletter
      1. Theme – What’s Next? [Send out mid- April](#)
      2. Articles due – April 5<sup>th</sup>
        - [Synthetic Turf fields Jim Springer, Verde & John Berk, Astro Turf](#)
        - [Tara Gee AB 1881 follow up article – Scott Warr](#)
        - [Eric – Volunteers as a labor force](#)
        - [Squirrel population growth, Mark Lucas](#)
  - iv. 2010 Goals
    1. Provide educational opportunities for members [All submit any industry training to Christiana](#)
      - a. Webpage tab for events and training
      - b. Beacon event – April 13<sup>th</sup>
        - i. Curriculum – infield soils; game prep; turf maintenance; mound and homeplate maintenance; irrigation
        - ii. Date – April 13, 2010
        - iii. CAL Berkeley
        - iv. Price - \$55 (early-bird NCC/STMA members discount [2 weeks in advance](#)) - \$95 Our involvement [Are board members allowed free? Don to follow up. STMA will be allowed the opportunity to plug our association before the seminar starts.](#)
      - c. Regional Conference – July 21 & 22 (Seattle) [Flyer/agenda to follow. We need to market to our members](#)
      - d. Rivercats game – NCC/STMA Night/Day at the Park [Don to send out information for us to consider again.](#)
        - i. Date [Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>?](#)
        - ii. Format/seating/etc [TBD](#)
      - e. Next Field Day
        - i. Date [June & September/October](#)

- ii. Location
  - Mark to work with Gina on a Napa Event (June)
  - Tim, Don and Jim to work on event in San Ramon area (September/October).
  - Eric to work on educational event in Woodland in December?
- iii. Speakers & topics
- 2. Grow number of members & sponsors
  - a. New sponsor – CAPCA (2) \$2,300
  - b. Outreach ideas
- 3. Review by-laws & election procedures [Greg Dunn to review](#)
  - a. Sub-committee members [Greg Dunn, Mark Lucas, Don Scholl, and Stacy Nord to head committee](#)
  - b. Focus of review
- 4. Community service [Currently no new projects have been submitted. Looking for new projects. Christiana to send out an e-mail to membership for ideas AND information for Scholarship.](#)
  - a. O.C. Jones event. (little league field) [Rain has delayed completion of the project. Irrigation has been installed](#)
  - b. Next step
- b. Past President: Mark Lucas
  - 1. GCSAA Turf Pro Symposium recap: [Only golf course superintendents there. Talked about how to meet budget cuts and sustain fields. Friday Mark is talking at a PAPA seminar. Did a mound building seminar in Vallejo.](#)
- c. Vice President – Bay Area, Nick Cole [Excused](#)
- d. Vice President – Sacramento Valley, Eric Dexter [Eric working with CPRS to support the park tour next March.](#)
- e. Secretary/Membership: Scott Warr
- f. Treasurer: Mike Smith - [Mike to chair a Budget committee to decide how we will spend out money. Volunteers are Mike, John Burke, Tim McCoy, Heather Mazzanti](#)

**December, January Summary**

- Past event deposits
- Sponsorship from Granitrock, Cal. Ag. Prod. Consultant Assoc., Cal. Assoc of Pest Control Advisors,
- STMA COTS Reimbursement
- Membership Dues

**Financial Report**

Previous:\$ 18,873.67 (Year End Report)

Income:\$ 3,810.00 (Since Y.E. Report)

Debits:: \$ 0.00 (Since Y.E. Report)

**Balance:\$22,683.67**

**Wells Fargo Balances as of 01/27/2010**

**Checking\$18,873.67**

**CD Account                    \$7,765.98**

II. Committee reports

- a. Scholarships & Grants – John Burke To check with Consumnes Community College District and Foothill Community College District to see if we can offer a scholarship for their program. Don proposed that our Budget Committee to send out a letter to all College Districts inviting them to discuss with our chapter opportunities for scholarships. Mike Smith moved that we provide \$500 scholarship; to send out a letter to community college districts. The Budget Committee will review and decide how many scholarships to award. Seconded and approved unanimously. Don will craft a letter to the Colleges by end of day March 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Education – Tim McCoy Proposed: Synthetic Turf, Natural Turf, Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance. Mark proposed we do a true educational event like we did a couple years ago. Put this on Agenda for next meeting.
  - c. Design/Specifiers & Commercial Contractors – Jim Springer To work with ASLA, and ASIC
  - d. Sponsorships & Vendors – Don Franklin Absent
    - 1. New sponsors
    - 2. Ewing meal value & recognition Value at Raley Field was approx. \$450. They are still interested in providing for future events. Mark Lucas to make a motion to give Ewing Gold sponsorship for their meal donations. Approved unanimously. We should make Ewing a plaque for their involvement. For June meeting we should recognize each of sponsorship.
  - e. Membership – Steve Abella Absent
  - f. Professional Sports Facility Liaison – Greg Elliot Absent
  - g. Community Projects – Heather Mazzanti Already talked about
  - h. Events – Gina Ratto Excused
    - 1. Next event –
      - i. Ideas/topics -
      - ii. Location –
      - iii. Date -
- III. Next Board meeting –
- a. Date: April 13, 2010 (consider meeting after/during Berkeley event
  - b. Time: 9:00AM – 10:45AM
  - c. Location: UC Berkeley – Baseball field