

**Marin WCR Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 9, 2009**  
**Ping's Restaurant, San Rafael, 12:00**

**Present:** Judy LeMarr, Kirsten Calegari, Liz McCarthy, Alan Garber, Yoko Kasai, Charlie Sleep, David Smadbeck, Kathy Yamamoto, Charlie Sleep, Sylvie Zolezzi, Shelly O'Sullivan, Bal Claire, Karen Strain

**Absent:** David Chiaretta

**President David Smadbeck presiding**

**Proceedings:** Meeting called to order by David Smadbeck at 12:00

**Minutes:** December Minutes will be available for approval at the February Board Meeting

**Past President's Report:** Judy LeMarr reminded everyone of event ideas from '08 to consider in '09. It was suggested that everyone review WCR By-Laws and Standing Rules, with emphasis on Standing Rules. Notify Judy of any changes.

**President's Report:** David working on 2009 Business Plan. Discussed January State Meeting, attending are Judy LeMarr, Kirsten Calegari, Liz McCarthy, Yoko Kasai, Bal Claire & David Smadbeck.

**President Elect:** Liz is working on WCRMarin.org site updates, working on State site in addition. MAR is looking at a Technology Board/Panel for the November meeting, MAR is willing to partner with WCR.

**V.P. Membership:** Yoko reported 64 members, 26 have renewed, reminded to everyone to act on the current Membership recruitment contest. Liz McCarthy suggested David add to the monthly BRM agenda the introduction of new members & guests. Discussion of ways to acquire rosters of MAR, BARIES, and WCR SF Chapter to send flyers & invitations, David will look into.

**Treasurer:** Bal Claire is working with Kathy Yamamoto to finalize '08 Budget. Kathy officially turning responsibilities over to Bal Claire. 2009 Budget Approved.

**Secretary:** Kirsten to handle future lunch reservations for Board Meetings. Informed Board that MAR Community Service Committee

will not be hosting events/fundraisers in '09, leaving much opportunity for WCR in '09.

**Bylaws:** Open; Please give names to President Smadbeck names.

**Membership:** Co-Chair Sylvie Zolezzi sent January BRM invitation. Co-Chair Charlie Sleep set up call tree for '09 Board, asking Board members to as designated contacts for committee participation and membership renewal. Goal: to maintain and grow membership.

**Education:** Chair Garber expressed need for more people on the Education Committee. Margaret Deedy suggested. Working on future events. Must print Education Calendar by January 15 per David Smadbeck. Also, working with MAR on future Lunch & Learns.

**Budget & Finance:** Chair Yamamoto reported that some 2009 expenses were paid out of '08 Budget, carry over balance accurate. Need to vote to give to David Smadbeck for Annual Report.

**Marketing & Communications:** Chair Chiaretta not present. Judy LeMarr willing to be photographer and help David with Press Releases. Charlie informed that the Pacific Sun will do BRM Announcements.

**Awards & Recognition:** Open; Please give names to President Smadbeck

**Hospitality:** Chair Karen Strain had transition meeting with Co-Chair Sean Murphy, Kirsten Calegari & David Smadbeck. Past Chair Calegari will be available to assist with BRM set up in January & February. Various Board members offered to help with member/guest greetings and introductions.

**Ways & Means:** Chair O'Sullivan looking for 9 BRM Sponsors for '09, asked Board for Sponsor referrals. Costello & Sons set for January. Looking for Sponsors for fundraisers such as Day at the Races, Art & Wine Mixer and new member recruitment w/San Francisco chapter.