

December 2, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was started at 1:08 pm by Barry Harding (interim chair). Attendees were: Paul Ohlenbusch, Dan Dodson, Leroy Hampleman, Moe Chartoff, Fred Hill, and Barry Harding. No **safety moment** was given since Harding did not come to the meeting expecting to chair the meeting. A very last minute stand-in for Tom Kisinger. The minutes from the October meeting were not read, but were unanimously approved.

Work Group Reports:

- **Education** – (Dan Dodson): at the recent Sun City New neighborhood orientation, part of the Firewise display disappeared from the table. Missing is 1 backboard, 2 stands and the carrying case for the displays. Dan is going to query other entities who might have mistakenly taken the display, and also put a notice in the CA communicator to see if the items will be returned.
- **Training** – (Paul Ohlenbusch) 12 HIZ evaluators attended a refresher course + 2 new HIZ evaluators were trained at the last training session. Landscaper training is scheduled for January 29, 2016. Paul will prepare a Firewise handout in .pdf for every Firewise member to distribute to landscapers & lawn services that we see in our respective neighborhoods in an attempt to increase participation at the Landscaper Training session.
- **HIZ Work Group** – numbers were presented by Paul as follows for 12/2:
 - **Total received** -- 769
 - **Total completed** – 749
 - **Total open** – 16 (down from 17)
 - **On hold** – 4
- **CWPP / Recertification Work Group** – finalized & submitted in November.
- **Firewise Clearing Crew** – Work of the clearing crews has not been restarted this fall as CA staff crews have been too busy with other priorities. No member of the CA staff has attended the last 2 FIREWISE meetings with Jon Williams being the last attendee in August.

Other Topics: Paul Ohlenbusch showed 2 videos entitled “ Can your Home Survive a Wildfire”, and “A Land in Balance”. Both films were very good. The “A Land in Balance” film is only 1 year old.

2016 Upcoming Events / dates

- January 29th – Landscaper Training session
- April 28th – HIZ training and continuing education