

East Sacramento Improvement Association  
Regular Monthly Board Meeting  
February 7, 2011  
**MINUTES**

In attendance: Louise Buford, David Diepenbrock, Mike Gumby, Ann Hamel, George Koufasimis, Daniel Lapham, Paul Noble, Cyril Shah, Knight Smart, and Tricia Stevens.

Paul Noble called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m.

**Guest Presentation**

Gabe Medina, from Assemblyman Roger Dickenson's office, presented to the Board. Among other things, Mr. Medina discussed: (1) the Assemblyman's Town Hall Series on the State Budget, scheduled for February 16 and 23rd; (2) AB 134, legislation seeking relief from the new sanitation fees imposed on the Sacramento area to address Sacramento River and Delta water quality issues; and (3) the Assemblyman's desire to obtain a Sacramento resident as a member of the California Air Resources Board.

**Business Session**

1. Minutes. The Board approved the minutes for the January 3, 2011 meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report. Daniel submitted bank statements showing \$1,650.78 as the current balance in the checking account, \$3,478.49 as the balance on the savings account, \$11,420.13 as the balance on the CD that matured on January 30, 2011, and \$11,437.13 as the balance on the CD that matured on February 4, 2011.

**Executive Board Session**

**Old Business**

3. ESIA website. The Board voted unanimously to accept Biznerds' bid to design the website for \$2,250, including hosting & maintenance, plus \$300 for the first year update.
4. March 30 general meeting. It was reported that Roger Dickenson, Jeff Cuneo, and Brad Wasson were all confirmed as speakers. David Lubin was confirmed as the location. School staff requested that several Board members arrive at 6:30 p.m. to set up because no school custodial staff will be available. Daniel, George, and Louise volunteered for set up duty. Paul reminded Board members to post the meeting announcements signs one week before the meeting.

5. Next newsletter. The Board decided to produce a larger format newsletter with articles regarding the new website, nominations for the Orchid and Onion awards, a President's message, the medical marijuana ordinance, a request for email addresses, etc. Tricia requested that all newsletter submissions be finalized by February 20 with a goal of having the newsletter delivered to member homes by March 10 or 15.

### **New Business**

6. 2011 dues. Various pros and cons of raising dues were discussed. It was noted that dues have been \$10 for decades, and that the Board felt it prudent to increase revenues to pay for the cost of the new website and to increase reserves to enable the organization to take an active roll in high priority issues as appropriate. The Board voted unanimously to increase annual dues to \$15.
7. Medical marijuana dispensary. It was reported that City representatives stated that the medical marijuana ordinances were drafted with the intent that any dispensary that had established a location as of 10/26/10 would be exempt from the "sensitive use" proximity restrictions, even if the location was different from the address listed on the dispensary's registration address under the prior ordinance. The Board voted unanimously that it would be inappropriate to exempt the dispensary located at 3257 Folsom Boulevard from those proximity restrictions. The Board also voted unanimously to make a Public Records Act request to the City regarding the dispensary located at 3257 Folsom Boulevard and any other dispensary located in East Sacramento that submitted a Phase One application under the new ordinances. George volunteered to contact Chris Little at the East Sacramento Chamber of Commerce regarding the Folsom Boulevard dispensary. Paul agreed to do the same with MENA, and ESPTF. Louise agreed to canvas nearby businesses for evidence to support the necessary showing that the dispensary was not in operation as of 10/26/10.
8. Open. Onion and Orchid nominations will be due at the next Board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:55 p.m.