



Pro-Sayulita Meeting
March 18, 2009

"Making Sayulita a better place for everyone to live and visit"

Meeting was called to order by President Cap Sparling

Minutes from the last meeting were approved.

Committee Reports:

AED: Mike Beck looked at the cost for a portable AED. AED Plus by Zoll appears to be the best bet as it uses everyday batteries. The unit costs about \$1700 with extra pads at \$50 each. Probably need 2 replacement pads. Damien has expressed interest in buying one too. Whichever Doctor the unit goes to needs to sign a contract to provide the service (exclusive of his time) to town for at least one year. GPS needs to decide whether to fund it.

Animal Clinic: No report

Bathrooms: Marcos says they're done. Cap will check with the Delegado to see if he's taking responsibility for maintenance. If so, the goal is to open April 4th. Jeff suggested a plaque for the bathrooms that says donated by GPS. Eric suggested a ceramic one with GPS logo painted on it. Cap will get price.

Finance: Cindy passed around financials as of Feb. 28th. There is currently \$145,409 Ps in the general fund, \$138,532 Ps in the Sewage account and the School account has \$157,078 Ps in the bank with cash on hand in Sayulita of \$9,150 Ps. The group decided some years ago to use the Sewage account for items related to Sewage.

GPS Fund Raiser March 25th: Things are coming together. Issue is ticket sales. There is a big need to staff the ticket table in the plaza over the next few days. Please help. We're using the book sales table from the ice cream shop and the GPS banner to help visibility.

Life Saving: No news

Parking/Traffic: Jeffrey Gersten is working on a master plan with some locals in town officials who will then make a proposal to the county. Jeff also has suggested a directory/map of businesses in town as a service to tourists as well as advertising for town businesses. This could be an annual source of revenue for GPS. Mike Beck also reported that John Gillett has offered to pay for street signs on all the street corners in town. Also he would pay for one way signs.

Public Education Project: Cheryl Vaughan. The after school program has added 10 students (now up to 47) and 5 new volunteers. Two of the volunteers this week made lunches for the kids. A cash donation of \$457 was received, so Cheryl purchased 180 books that she'll bring back with her next trip. Donations of supplies are flowing in and this weekend Cheryl is sorting them into little bags for the classrooms. She now has a team of 15. Cap also reported that a woman visiting town heard of our need for books and the schools in her area have many Spanish books that they don't need and she will send them down if we pay for the freight..

Recycle and Garbage: Suzanne Gravelle reported on the Regional Meeting and the news that the foundation money is almost gone. There will be a challenge to remain self sustainable. One solution is that more product like cardboard, plastic, clear glass, aluminum cans and milk bottles be delivered directly to the bodega and not be collected. Ramon has been working 3 times his commitment but as of April 1st is going back to his contracted 20 hours. The cost to operate the Sayulita bodega is \$10,000p per month. After April 1st, Suzanne will have an idea how much the bodega can bring in to offset that cost. We need more garbage cans! Suzanne will get Girsra to deliver the remaining ones, but we still need to order 40 more.

New business:

- For more visibility, **Jeffry Gersten** suggested stickers with GPS logo to put on everything we do. Cap found that we can get large and small ones made for 15 Ps each in PV and he's ordered 200 large for the garbage cans and 200 smaller ones for cars and other smaller locations.
- Bonnie suggested an interview about GPS for the Sayulero after the fundraiser to report on the funds raised and promote GPS.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.