

MINUTES
Vertebrate Pest Council Meeting

March 5, 2012 – Monterey, CA

Called to order at 6:50PM

Election of Chair Elect

MS and Passed unanimously that John O'Brien replace Mark Taber as Chair elect.

Conference Details

Field Trip was successful. Should cover expenses.

Registration

234 registered as of this afternoon.

Anyone interested in helping the registration table opens at 8AM

If you want to help consider being there about 7AM

Program

One speaker cancellation but Roger has a backup speaker.

Need to announce program changes at opening session so people can adjust their programs.

Roger needs to have someone manage AV equipment in one of the breakout room.

Peter Newman indicated he would help with the AV

Speaker prep room is in the Portola Room

Speaker breakfast is 7 to 8 on Wednesday morning

Local Arrangements

WiFi is free in the lobby but it is fee based in your rooms or in the conference rooms.

916-969-6996 or 916-261-1498 for cell phones to reach Victoria.

Roger, Victoria, and Amber are the points of contact for the hotel staff

Speaker read room is in the Portola Room

The commercial display reception will be held Wednesday evening this year.

Coffee breaks will be in the foyer near the commercial display areas.

Posters

Five posters will be in the Foyer where the commercial displays are.

Commercial Display

The commercial displays will be in the foyer near the registration area.

Displays officially open Tuesday afternoon.

2014 Conference

Still talking about the potential for Hawaii

Connecting with the invasive pest conference

Need to identify committee chairs...those interested should contact John O'Brien.

It was decided to let the executive council to make the decision for the location for the next conference and report back at the June meeting.

Approved by Council 6/28/2012

Off Year Workshops

Need to identify someone to take the lead on the workshops

Victoria, Roger, and Stella will take the lead on the off year workshops

Potential New Council Members

People were encouraged to identify possible new members and bring bios to the next council meeting.

Possible Feral Pig Conference in California in April 2014.

Need to know where VPC will be in 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25PM

Minutes drafted by Charlie Crabb