

**MINUTES OF
THE EDWARDS COMMUNITY ALLIANCE
MEETING**

MARCH 9, 2009

President Deaver opened the meeting at 8:00 AM. Directors in attendance: Deaver, Edmiston, Jamison, Johnson, Novinger, Painter, Pickard, Scott, Welling. Others present: Flores, Johnstone, Losoncy, Novinger, Uhazy, Williams.

ECA PROJECT STATUS

Land Use Compatibility: Mr. Welling said there were no new land use issues to discuss.

Education:

Dialogue II Planning meeting- The new hangar at the National Test Pilot School is available and will be used for the Dialogue II event. The event on March 20 will begin at 7:30 with coffee and sweet rolls. The Dialogue will begin at 8:00 and end at approximately 1:30. Dialogue attendees will be limited to the hangar area and the area immediately outside (Porti-potties) since classes will be in session in the main building. Some RSVPs have been coming in but historically folks in the High Desert do not RSVP so we will have to make a guess at attendance 72 hours before the event or we will have to pay for 300 meals. Assemblywoman Connie Conway has confirmed her attendance. A map of the airport has been included in the invitation and signs directing folks to the NTPS will be placed along the two major roads into the airport.

Mojave Airport teacher visit – Fifteen teachers and administrators from Kern County schools and Kern County Schools Superintendent's office were hosted by Stu Witt for a tour of four businesses at the airport. The tour began with a overview video of the activities at the airport presented by Mr. Witt. A guided tour of the businesses followed. A debriefing of the activity was conducted and the visitors completed an evaluation of their experience. This visit was a great success and really educated the teachers on the types of jobs available for all of their students. More such tours are planned in the future.

FINANCIAL REPORT

James Welling stated the financial report showing a balance in the checking account as of February 7, 2009 of \$33, 778.79 did not change during the month.

OPEN DISCUSSION

4-H Science Symposium-The Rosamond and Antelope Valley 4-H councils are hosting a 4-H Science Symposium on April 18th, 2009. Dr. Les Uhazy, Dean of Math and Science at Antelope

Valley College has been involved with planning for this event. Dr. Uhazy said the planning is ongoing and he will keep the Directors informed. The symposium will be on April 18th beginning at 7:00 and continuing until 12:30.

Energy Cell Car: Mr. Scott said the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) has a new energy cell car project for schools. This kit is limited to one kit per school for the academic year. Randy will pass on any additional information as he receives it.

Math Competition: Les Uhazy said the Antelope Valley College is hosting a Math Competition on March 26th. As of today 17 high schools are signed up to compete.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 AM.

The next meeting will be on April 13th.

Sincerely,

Robert Johnstone, Technical Advisor