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Officers for 2008 - 2009

Master (President).....	Randall Lewis
Overseer (VP)	Martha Stefanoni
Lecturer	Buzz Chernoff.....
Steward	Joseph Stefanoni
Assistant Steward.....	Jeremy Heckman
Lady Assistant Steward.....	Stephanie Knigge.....
Chaplain	Barbara Geiger.....
Treasurer	Marian Nichols
Secretary	Katie Squire
Gatekeeper	Jack Eyer.....
Ceres	Nancy Alvarez
Flora.....	Morgana Bevans
Pomona	Marta Kroger
Musician.....	Lyndy Wright.....
Executive Committee.....	Bob Clouse.....
Executive Committee.....	Bob McFarland
Executive Committee.....	Inger Bevans
Executive Committee.....	Bruce Brunell.....
Executive Committee.....	Johnny Squire

Directors for 2009

Chief Deputy.....	Jack Eyer.....
Grange Exposition Chair.....	Katie Squire
GWA Chairman	Betty Eyer.....
Family Health.....	Leslie Parker
Junior Grange Director	Suzanne Moramarco
Legislative Affairs	Michael Greene.....
Membership Director.....	Bob McFarland
Public Relations	Bob McFarland
Youth Activities Director.....	Bill & Patty Allen
Youth & Young Adults.....	Marta Kroger

Office Staff

Master’s Assistant.....	Linda Lewis
Office Manager	Amy Self.....
Grange News Editor.....	Jay Hartz
Bookkeeping	Amy Self.....
Reservations	Summer Maddux
Supplies.....	Summer Maddux
Quarterly Reports.....	Kalie Benson.....
State Secretary’s Assistant.....	Kalie Benson.....

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Executive Committee.....	Leo "T" Bergeron	EC5@californiagranger.org

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California State Grange

137th Annual Session

Orangevale Grange Hall - Sacramento

Agenda

10/15/09 – 10/18/09

“Back To Our Roots”

Thursday, October 15 - Session Day 1

- Morning
 - 8:30 am Registration & Delegate Check-in
 - 8:30 am Expo Receiving
 - 9 - 11 am Legislative Committee meetings
 - 10:00 First Time Delegates Workshop
 - 10:30 am Website presentation
 - 11:00 Budget Presentation

Noon to 1 pm - Welcome Lunch
- Afternoon
 - 1 pm Opening the Session in the 6th Degree
 - Roll Call of Officers
 - Lower to 4th Degree
 - Introduction of Honored Guests
 - Partial Credential Report
 - Approval of Standing Rules
 - Approval of Schedule
 - Approval of EC 2008-2009 Minutes
 - 2:30 pm GWA March
 - GWA Director’s Report
 - 3:30 pm Masters Address - Part 1
 - Directors Reports
 - Masters Address - Part 2
 - 5:00 pm Recess the Session
 - 6:00 pm Registration & Expo Receiving Closed
- Evening
 - 6:00 pm Masters Dinner Program
 - Awards Presentations
 - Other Activities - TBD

Friday, October 16 - Session Day 2

- Morning
 - 7:30 am Registration Opens
 - 8:30 am Session Reconvenes
 - Roll Call of Officers
 - Reading of the Journal of the previous day
 - 9:00 am Resolution Processing Instructions

Required Constitutional Resolutions
 Approval of Budget
 Grange Foundation Annual Meeting
 10:45 am National Grange Representative Ed Luttrell
 11:00 am Expo Opens
 Lecturer's Symposium

Noon to 1:30 pm - GWA Lunch

- Afternoon
 - 1:30 pm Nomination and Election of Officers
Resolution Processing
 - 5:00 pm Closing of the Grange
 - 6:00 pm Close of Registration
- Evening
 - 6:00 pm Dinner
 - 7:30 pm Lecturer's State Talent Contest
 - 10:00 pm Expo Closes

Saturday, October 17 - Session Day 3

- Morning
 - 7:30 am Registration Open
 - 8:00 am Expo Opens
 - 8:30 am Opening of the Grange in the 4th degree by
the Youth Team
Roll Call of Officers
Reading of the Journal of the previous day
Final Credential Report
Delegate Registration Ends
 - 9:30 am Nomination and Election of Officers
Resolution Processing
- Noon to 1:30 pm - Youth Lunch & Program
- Afternoon
 - 1:30 pm Nomination and Election of Officers
Resolution Processing
Final Committee Reports
GIA Report
 - 5:00 pm Session in recess
- Evening
 - 5:30 pm Dinner
 - 6:30 pm Exemplification of the 5th degree by Youth Team
 - 8:00 pm Exemplification of the 6th degree by State Officers
 - 10:00 pm Expo Closes

Sunday, October 18 - Session Day 4

- Morning
 - 8:00 am Expo Entries Released
 - 9:00 am Memorial Service
 - 10:00 am Installation of Officers
 - 11:00 am Session Reconvenes
 - Roll Call of Officers
 - Reading of the Journal of the previous day
 - Resolution of Appreciation
 - Closing of the Session
- Noon End of Expo Entries Release

Committee Chairs

The following have been named to chair their respective Committees, Programs
 (*asterisk indicates resolution committee)

5th Degree	-----	Marta Kroger
6th Degree	-----	Ed Lutrello
Convention Nurse	-----	Betty-Ann Beringer Rehm
Credentials	-----	Katie Squire
Decorations	-----	Pleasant Valley Grange
Degree Staging	-----	Marta Kroger
Election	-----	Frank Nichols
Expo	-----	Katie Squire
Flowers/Plants	-----	Dale & Shirley Baker
Hospitality	-----	Orangevale Grange
Officers Installation	-----	Lee Geiger
National Representative Escort	-----	Bob Clouse
Production	-----	Jay Hartz
Registration	-----	Amy Self
Resolution of Appreciation	-----	Lee Geiger
Youth 4th Degree Session Opening	-----	Youth Team

Legislative/Resolution Committees

The following are Committee Assignments for Resolution Processing

Agriculture

Johnny Squire, Chair	Jay Allred
Ken Whitney	Michelle Faeth
Jim Townsend	Joseph Stefenoni
Robert Cauckwell	Sharon Taylor

Conservation

Jan Saxton, Chair	Allen Carrozza
Liz Finn	Bob Pinney
Buzz Chernoff	Jack Todd
Karen Allred	Patty Fullerton

Education

Linda MacCracken, Chair	Trudy Martin
Randall Marler	Julia Starling
Erica Bruce	Holly Riley-Davis

Foreign Affairs

Les Reynolds, Chair	Tony Lamm
Ed Bruce	Nenita Lomboy
Nancy Alvarez	

Grange Activities

Rosemary Hansen, Chair	Lola Adamczak
Marta Kroger	Forest "Pete" Witham

Lee Geiger
Ken Donnell
Kathy Bergeron

Tom Sawyer
Bill Compton

Grange Law

Howard Sihner, Chair
Barbara Geiger
Larry Kroger
Carrie Behler

Robert Alvarez
Curtis Lindley
Jack Surmani

Health

Jim McDaniel, Chair
Bettyann Beringer-Rehm
Dolores Larrigan
Wendy McFarland

Yvette Adams
Leslie Parker
Domingo Lomboy
Julie Kroger

Labor & Judiciary

Liz Reynolds, Chair
Luther Wright
Jim Bieberich
Rick Davis

Joan Poulos
Charles Voss
Marian Nichols

Public Policy

Sylvia Sloan, Chair
Jackie Rantz
Beverly Glenn
Pat Schunneman

Lisa Valentine
Jeremy Heckman
Dennis Cokor

Taxation

Cheri Bunker, Chair
Shirley Baker
Sylvia Sloan

Randy Turnquist
Bill Thomas
Stefani Kroesen

Transportation

William Allen, Chair
Barbara White
Crystal Jones

Travis Kroger
Joan Townsend

Water

David Lewis, Chair
Leo Bergeron
Craig Eckhart
Norm Carpadus
Steve Haze

Jay Hartz
Louise Vitek
Chris Blesch
Ryan Schlegel

California State Grange

Session Rules 2009

The Standing Rules of the Convention will apply only to the 137th Annual Membership Meeting of the California State Grange, Sacramento, California, 2009. (Reference: National Grange Digest of Laws and Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, Chapter XIX, Section 58.)

REGISTRATION FEE WAIVER: The Registration Fee shall be waived for Junior Grangers and those invited guests approved by the Executive Committee.

BADGES: No one will be admitted to the session without a badge which signifies their registration fee has been paid (except as noted above).

DELEGATE REGISTRATION: Closing date and time for "Delegate Registration" shall be at 8:30 AM Saturday, October 17, 2008. Any late registrant shall have the approval of the State Master.

RESOLUTIONS:

Deadline: The last date for the acceptance of properly submitted resolutions shall be 60 days prior to the opening of Meeting (August 15) and any late resolutions shall only be processed if the Committee Chairman accepts them.

Committee Make-up: Each committee shall have a Chairman and a Secretary

Committee Meetings: Committees shall not meet while the Meeting is in "In Session" and their meeting schedule will be posted in a convenient location.

Committee Processing: After notifying a Delegate of the sponsoring Grange of origin (unless they are not represented at the Convention) the committees will be allowed to kill resolutions for the following reasons:

- a) They restate current policy.
- b) They have been acted upon by the Delegate Body within the past two years.
- c) They are poorly written and the Committee can not achieve the desired results in the resolved.
- d) They cover several subjects which cannot be easily split into separate resolutions.
- e) The Resolution changes current CSG policy, unless they clearly state the intent of the resolution is to change current policy.

Consent Calendar: All "Killed" resolutions will be listed on a "Committee Consent Calendar" and reported to the delegates during the Meeting.

Overriding Committee Action: Any Delegate may bring a "Killed" resolution onto the floor by the passage of a motion.

Committee Presentation: In presenting the resolution on the Convention floor, the Committee spokesman will only read the "Resolved" portion of all resolutions, and then state the Committees action. If the Committees recommendation is to reject the resolution, the Committee Spokesman will briefly explain the reason for the Committee's action.

Amendments to Resolutions: All motions to amend resolutions which are excessively long, shall be presented in writing to the Secretary's Station, so as to be properly entered into the minutes.

Re-Written Resolution Introduction: A vote shall not be taken on a resolution unless it has been in the delegates' hands at least two (2) hours.

Combining C&BL Resolutions: Constitutional Resolutions shall not be combined in Committee (SG-36-82)

FLOOR MOTIONS IN WRITING: All motions made from the floor concerning subjects new to the Grange and not presented in resolutions shall be presented in writing to the Secretary's Station, so as to be properly entered into the minutes.

FLOOR DEBATE: Shall be limited to two (2) minutes per delegate on any given question.

OFFICER & DIRECTOR REPORTS: The written reports of all officers and Directors shall be submitted to the Secretary's Station prior to the close of the first day of session (if they have not sent them to the State Office prior to Convention) for inclusion in the Journal of Proceedings.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Executive Committee shall have the authority to approve the minutes of the final day of session at their meeting after the close of the session.

CONVENTION SITE VOTING: Voting by the delegate body to select future convention sites for the Annual Session of the California State Grange shall be conducted only by paper ballot. (97-003)

FRAGRANCES: Please refrain from wearing perfumes, after shaves or other fragrances during the session or at any of the functions. Some of our members have allergies and it is everyone's desire to have an enjoyable convention. (Floor Motion - 2007)

California State Grange Session
Orangevale Grange Hall, Orangevale, California
October 15, 2009
Minutes

Due to limitations on space and time the State Grange Officers repaired to their stations without marching and the First Day of the 137th Annual Membership Meeting was opened by Worthy Master Randall Lewis at 1:37 PM on Thursday October 15, 2009. The opening song, "It's a Good Thing to Be a Granger" was led by Lecturer Buzz Chernoff. The Flag was presented by Lauren Nebitt, serving as Worthy Flora Pro tem. Master Lewis explained the significance of the gavel used to open the meeting. The wood came from a branch of one of the two orange trees that were sent to California by Brother Saunders, one of the seven founders of the order. These trees served as the basis for the citrus industry in California.

Honored Guests: Ed Luttrell, Master of the National Grange and Sister Celia; Sister Linda Lewis, National Grange Pomona and First Lady of the California State Grange; Past First Lady of the California State Grange Martha Stefenoni; Past CSG Master Leo Bergeron and Past CSG Secretary Kathy; and Past National Grange Executive Committeeman and Past CSG Master Robert Clouse, were escorted to the Master's Station, welcomed to the session, and each spoke briefly. The National Master and First Lady were given a gift to remember their visit to California.

Master Lewis also recognized those members who had traveled from other states to be with us. Ron and Mary Miller from Washington State were recognized.

Credential Report: A partial report of the Credential's Committee was presented by the Worthy Secretary. 91 Granges are being represented by 152 delegates. 74 Subordinate Granges and 17 Pomona Granges have representation. A minimum of 25% of the Granges must be represented, that minimum has been met and the session may continue.

Kathy Parra questioned if all of the delegates were in good standing and all if this was being checked. The membership was assured that this was checked by the staff.

Convention Standing Rules: It was moved by Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Jim McDaniel that the standing rules of the convention be accepted as printed. *Motion carried. Standing rules were adopted.*

Convention Schedule: Motion by Buzz Chernoff and seconded by Ken Donnell that the convention schedule developed by Convention Steering Committee be substituted for the Draft Final Schedule. Copies of the proposal were presented. It includes 15 minute breaks and presentation of the Master's report in one part.

It was moved by Joseph Stefenoni and seconded by Kathy Bergeron that the motion be amended to include having the Master's Report given in two parts. *Motion carried.*

Discussion. *The motion, as amended, failed in a close vote.*

It was moved by Kathy Bergeron and seconded by Jeremy Heckman to approve the Final Schedule as originally presented. *Motion carried. The convention schedule was adopted.*

Sister Cheri Bunker requested that the Delegate Body rescind a resolution from 1996 regarding the election of officers.

Executive Committee Minutes: Motion by Houghton Sawyer and seconded by Jeremy Heckman to accept the Executive Committee minutes for 2008-2009. Clarification of the actions taken at the March 2009 meeting regarding a request by Greenhorn Grange was requested by Leo Bergeron. Continued discussion of the minutes in regards to the use of funds, how actions were taken and whether there was any “hornswagging” happening at the meetings. *Motion carried, the minutes of the Executive Committee for 2008-09 were approved.*

Motion by Cheri Bunker to repeal 96-037, “Incumbent Officer Running For Another Office – Any incumbent California State Grange officer seeking another elected office when the candidates own office is not open to election, shall resign that office prior to the close of nominations, thereby reducing the necessity of a subsequent election”, as it is no longer relevant to the election process we are currently utilizing. *The motion was seconded by Bill Thomas. Motion carried, resolution repealed.*

The Women of the Grange were escorted by the Assistant Stewards for the annual GWA Women’s March. Director of the Grange Women’s Activities committee, Betty Eyler, presented her annual report, detailing just some of the 1000’s of hours of volunteer time and activities completed during the past year. The State Director introduced her regional directors. The First Lady of the California State Grange and the Master of the California State Grange were given a gift from the GWA members of California.

The meeting was set at ease for a 15 minute break.

The meeting was called back to order by Overseer Martha Stefenoni. Master Randall Lewis was introduced to present the first part of his annual address.

It was moved by Kathy Bergeron and seconded by Lee Geiger to accept the First Part of the Master’s Address and publish it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

It was moved by Marian Nichols and seconded by Shirley Baker to accept the GWA Director’s report and publish it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Inger Bevans reported that the Women’s March brought in \$1006.65 for the donation to the heart fund.

Brother Bob McFarland, Director of Public Relations and Membership Development presented his report for the year after some technical difficulties.

It was moved by Jim McDaniel and seconded by Barbara Geiger to accept the report of the Public Relations and Membership Director and enter it into the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried* and so ordered.

Worthy Master Randall Lewis presented the second part of his annual report. As part of the report he asked the members in attendance to keep in mind the best interests of the organization and remember the principles of the order. The growth of our organization rests on the participation and efforts of everyone.

Staffing and financial information was discussed, as was “No Budget, No Pay”.

Issues of protecting the Grange, both the name and property, were exemplified. In one case the problem was resolved to the betterment of the organization, while in the other the State Grange continues to work to protect the investment within the community.

Divisiveness is a problem that we must tackle, keeping in mind that when we all work together for the betterment of the Grange we will strengthen our organization.

The property market in the Sacramento area is soft; we may not be able to rent the Grange properties for quite a while.

It was moved by Joseph Stefenoni and seconded by Barbara Geiger to accept the Second Part of the Master’s Report and print it in the Journal of Proceedings, and the appropriate parts be referred to the resolution committees. *Motion carried.*

Worthy Master Lewis returned to the Master's Chair.

The printed copies of Part 1 and Part 2 of the Master's Report were distributed to the membership. Cheri Bunker, chairman of Taxation was introduced to work her resolution.

It was pointed out that Resolution Processing Instructions were scheduled for 9:00 AM on Friday. It was suggested that if the instructions were presented at this time we would be finishing very close to on schedule for today's activities.

Master Lewis proceeded to present background regarding how resolutions are being processed in the past and as it is today.

Brother David Lewis, Chairman of the Water Committee reported that resolutions 20, 21 and 40 had been killed in committee.

Three Rewrites and a new Resolution were passed out to the Delegate Body at 4:50 PM.

The 1st Day of the 137th California State Grange Session was closed at 5:03 PM.

The delegates and guests were welcomed to the well prepared Master's Dinner Program that evening. Immediately following the program Cowboy Poet, Cliff Habig entertained to assembled members with some selections of western poetry. "Grangers in the Night" provided a set of dance music for the fleet of foot. As the strains of music floated through the park-like grounds the Grange family returned to their accommodations while the busy bees in the Expo continued their work.

Second Day of Session

The second day of the 137th Annual Session of the California State Grange was opened by Worthy Master Randall Lewis at 8:35 AM.

Roll Call of Officers was taken; Pro tem Flora Lauren Nebitt was temporarily detained and Julie Kroger was seated in her place.

The Minutes of the First Day of the 137th Annual Session of the California State Grange were presented by Secretary, Katie Squire. Errors and omissions were noted and corrections made. **It was moved by Mike Byers and seconded** to approve the minutes as corrected. *Motion carried.*

It was announced that Resolution 09-001 was withdrawn.

Budget:

It was moved by Shirley Baker and seconded Buzz Chernoff to approve the budget as presented.

It was moved by Johnny Squire and seconded by Martha Stefenoni, that the budget, Dept 50 be amended to restore the Master's housing allowance to \$12,960 and restore the Master's office expense to \$12,000. This includes all of the expenses for the Master to travel.

The motion to amend the budget was discussed. Due to the sensitivity of the subject, the Master asked the Overseer to assume the chair. Further discussion ensued. The Overseer asked Executive Committeeman Robert Clouse to assume the chair so that she could speak to the issue.

The Previous Question was called for by Bob McFarland. Motion failed.

Additional discussion was presented from the floor.

Amendment failed.

The budget as presented was returned to the floor.

It was moved by Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Johnny Squire to amend the budget to increase the State Master's Office (travel) expense from \$8000 to \$15,000. Discussion regarding the issue was presented.

The Previous Question was called for by Bill Thomas. Motion Carried.

The Amendment to increase the State Master's Office expense failed.

The Budget as proposed returned to the floor. The discussion continued.

Motion for the Previous Question was called for by Travis Kroger. Motion carried.

The Budget, as presented, was adopted.

Master Lewis returned to the chair.

It was moved by Leroy Squire and seconded by Cheri Bunker for a hat to be passed to assist in paying off debts. **Motion failed.**

Vista Grange:

The issue of Vista Grange was the subject of further discussion. All information presented during the Master's address regarding this subject was reviewed by legal counsel.

It was moved by Ken Donnell and seconded by Cheri Bunker to refer the issue of Vista Grange to mediation and the transcripts of the proceedings be turned over to the Executive Committee. **The motion was declared out of order.** The Worthy Master reported that the court has already ordered the issue to mediation.

Master Lewis asked Worthy National Grange Master Ed Luttrell to address the assembly regarding Vista Grange. The National Master pointed out that the National Grange Executive Committee has been kept in the loop throughout the years. Regarding litigation, other than the Grange name protection actions he has spent more time on Vista Grange than anything else in his term. He has spoken with the parties involved. Based on the track record over the past two years, Vista Grange and their officers have chosen not to follow the law of the Grange. He reminded the delegate body that if we don't hold to our standards we will destroy this organization.

A voluntary donation bowl was made available for donations to help to retire the debt.

The meeting was set at ease at 10:24 AM for the meeting of the California Grange Foundation.

The meeting reconvened at 11:21 AM.

National Grange Representative

The Worthy Master of the National Grange, Ed Luttrell, was introduced for his report to the membership. He spoke about how the National Grange is working to protect the Grange name. He explained how much this is costing, but also offered examples of how much it would cost if the National Grange did not work to protect the name. The protections include contacting those businesses that were spawned through the years by the Grange and getting them on board so that there will be no surprises. Licenses are being arranged with some businesses, for instance a Grange named restaurant that offers a discount to Grange member. International use to the Grange name differs because of the common use of the word in some countries. Yet, if an international business comes here and wants to establish a new line using the word Grange they will need to follow our law. In addition we will be seeking federal protection through legislation in the same way as several other organizations.

The membership was invited to attend the 50th Anniversary of the National Grange Building, June 25, 2010 in Washington, DC.

Brother Luttrell also spoke about the internal workings of the Grange and how we are all here to do the work of the Grange. We are not here for today; we are here to build for tomorrow. We are a national organization with a local focus. A sash does not make us better, just perhaps more responsibilities. This organization belongs to all of us. This organization's future is so bright. It is our time. Go home with a positive attitude. We are going to grow our Grange. Together we are one, and together we stand strong.

Announcements were made from the Overseer's station. Several committees will be meeting during lunch. The membership was reminded of opportunities for supporting the convention through ticket and product sales. The candy bowl has already collected well over \$100 to help lower the debt.

The Grange was recessed at 12:03 PM for the GWA Lunch and Fashion Show. After an enjoyable feast the various stylish models modeled an array of aprons. Prize winning entries were recognized as were the willing participants.

The Assistants opened the Bible on the altar and meeting resumed at 1:33 PM.

In preparation for nominations and elections the Master explained the procedures for voting for the offices.

Partial Credential Committee Report:

Nineteen Pomona Granges are represented by 33 Delegates. Eighty-seven Community Granges are represented by 152 delegates. Total voting delegates 185.

Nominations for the Office of Master:

Bob McFarland El Dorado County
Randy Lewis Los Angeles County.
The nominees were presented to the assembly

The election committee moved to a secluded area to count the ballots.

It was moved by Leo Bergeron and seconded by Kathy Bergeron to have a time certain for resolution 09-015 at 4 PM. *Motion carried.*

It was moved by the Anthony Intiso and seconded by Leo Bergeron to set a time certain for resolution 09-014 at 3:45 PM. *Motion carried.*

Taxation Committee

Sister Cheri Bunker, Chairman of the Taxation committee, came forward to present her resolution.

Res. 09-046: Eliminate the Estate Tax: committee recommendation of favorable.

Several members came forward to offer discussion from both sides of the issue. *Committee recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Report of the Taxation committee was presented.

It was moved by Kathy Bergeron and seconded by Barbara Geiger to accept the report of the Taxation Committee and enter it into the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Labor & Judiciary Committee

Liz Reynolds, chairman of the Labor & Judiciary Committee was introduced.

Res 09-007: State Legislators Hiring Restriction: committee recommendation of unfavorable. There was brief discussion. *Committee recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.*

Res 09-009R: Reinstate “Good Samaritan” Law: Committee recommendation of favorable.

Motion and second to amend the resolution by striking “situation under reasonable standards, within the scope of one’s training” and move the period to after emergency.

It was moved by Brandon Nebitt and seconded by Joseph Stefenoni to amend the amendment and insert “situation” after the word emergency at the end of and move the period to after the word situation.

It was moved by Karen Heckman and seconded by PegAnn Rutherford to recommit the resolution. *Motion to recommit failed.*

The amendment to the amendment returned to the floor.

The amendment to the amendment passed.

The amended amendment to the Resolution returned to the floor. Additional discussion regarding the issue.

The Previous Question was called for by Leo Bergeron and seconded by Cheri Bunker. *Motion carried.*

Motion to amend, carried.

Resolution as amended returned to floor.

The Previous Question was called for by Leo Bergeron and seconded by Barbara Geiger. *Motion carried.*

Resolution 09-009R as amended was adopted.

Report of the Election Committee:

Bob McFarland 135

Randy Lewis 43

Bob McFarland was declared elected to the position of Master for the 2009 -2011 term.

Head Deputy Jack Eyler announced that Brother McFarland was officially being “fired” from his position as a State Deputy Master.

Nominations for the office of Overseer

Martha Stefenoni Sonoma County

Dick Dahlms Butte County

Bill Thomas Sacramento County

The candidates were presented to the assembly.

Res 09-016 Unemployment Benefits: Committee recommendation unfavorable, this is already part of the statute.

Kathy Bergeron moved and Shirley Baker seconded to substitute the resolution for the committee report. ***Motion failed.***

Committee recommendation adopted, resolution 09-016 rejected.

Res 09-052 California Constitutional Convention: Committee recommendation favorable with slight revision changing “with” to “within”. ***Committee recommendation adopted, resolution adopted as amended.***

Res 09-053 Part Time Legislature: Committee recommendation favorable as amended, striking lines 19 & 20. ***Committee recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.***

Sister Reynolds announced that she would return with her final report.

Water Committee Resolutions:

Water Committee chairman, David Lewis approached the microphone to work resolutions.

Res 09-067 Delta Vision Strategic Plan Framework: Committee recommendation favorable. ***Committee recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.***

Res 09-066 Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage and Distribution: Committee recommendation favorable as amended. ***Committee recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.***

Res 09-064 Remove Klamath Dams: Committee recommendation favorable as amended. Discussion took place regarding the amendment.

It was moved by Martha Stefenoni to strike ‘Grange’ and ‘convention’ and substitute ‘special study committee’ after the words ‘Klamath River’. The amendment was accepted as a friendly amendment. **Resolution adopted as amended.**

Report of the Election Committee:

Martha Stefenoni	88*
Dick Dahlms	9
Bill Thomas	83*

A runoff was declared between Martha Stefenoni and Bill Thomas for the office of Overseer.

Res 09-065 Klamath River Basin Restoration: Committee recommendation favorable. Discussion of the committee recommendation ensued. **Recommendation adopted. Resolution adopted.**

It was moved by Leo Bergeron and seconded by Kathy Bergeron that the time certain be removed from resolution 09-015. **Motion carried.**

Res 09-015 Klamath River Dams: Committee recommendation, no recommendation. The resolution was before the body without recommendation.

It was moved by Leo Bergeron and seconded by Kathy Bergeron that Res 09-015 be adopted. Discussion of the resolution proceeded.

It was moved by Jan Saxton and seconded by Rich Saxe to table Res 09-015 until results of Klamath River Special Study committee are received. **Motion passed. Resolution 09-015 tabled.**

Brother David Lewis offered clarification regarding the 3 resolutions killed in committee.

Res 09-041 ‘Two Gates’ Project: committee recommendation favorable. Additional clarification was offered regarding the ‘Two Gates’ project. **Committee recommendation adopted. Resolution adopted.**

Resolutions were distributed to the delegates at 3:30 PM.

Election of Officers:

Frank Nichols returned to report the results of the election.

Martha Stefenoni	92
Bill Thomas	85

Martha Stefenoni was declared elected to the position of Overseer for the term of 2009 - 2011.

Nominations for Lecturer:

Buzz Chernoff	El Dorado County
Jim McDaniel	respectfully declined.

The assembly was reminded that nominations never close, write in nominations are always welcomed. The meeting was set at ease for a brief time before the time certain resolution.

Public Policy Resolutions:

Public Policy Committee Chairman, Sylvia Sloan was presented to work the time certain resolution at 3:45 PM.

Res 09-014 Support Formation of the State of Jefferson: committee recommendation unfavorable.

Moved by Anthony Intiso and seconded by Kathy Bergeron to substitute the resolution for committee report. **Motion passed.**

Moved by Kathy Bergeron and seconded by Bob Alvarez to adopt the resolution. Discussion of what composes the State of Jefferson.

It was moved by Bill Compton and seconded by BettyAnn Birenger-Riem to table the resolution. *Motion carried and resolution tabled.*

Election of Officers:

Frank Nichols returned to report the results of the election.

Buzz Chernoff	158
Blank	2
Harold Shimmer	2
Sheri Bunker	1
Lyndy Wright	1
Katie Squire	1

Buzz Chernoff was declared elected as Lecturer for the ensuing term.

Nominations for Steward:

Joseph Stefenoni	Sonoma County
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Grange Law Resolutions:

Howard Sihner chairman of the Grange Law committee was introduced to work resolutions.

Res 09-001 has been withdrawn. The delegates were advised that this issue will continue to return in the future.

Res 09-003R Amend CSG By-laws Article XXV: committee recommendation favorable. Brief discussion. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Res 09-023 E-Membership: committee recommendation favorable. Clarification and full discussion of the positive and negative aspects of E-membership was undertaken.

Trudie Martin moved the previous question, the motion was seconded. *Previous question prevailed. Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Election of Officers:

Frank Nichols returned to report the results of the election.

Joseph Stefenoni	162
Charlie Betschart	1
Mickey Mouse	1
Harold Shimmer	1
Jim McDaniel	1
Destroyed	1
Blank	2

Joseph Stefenoni was declared elected Steward for the term 2009–2011.

Nominations for Assistant Steward:

Jeremy Heckman	Butte County
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Brother Johnny Squire reported Sister Frances Sawyer has taken ill and that she and Brother Sawyer have returned to San Jose.

Additional announcements were made regarding a variety of activities for the evening and the meeting in general.

The Grange was closed at 5:06 PM.

After enthusiastically eating Ziti in a zillion different ways the assembled crowd relaxed and enjoyed the Grange Talent and Variety Show. Laughter rolled, inspiring voices were raised, amazing feats were performed and all enjoyed a wonderful evening under the watchful direction of Lecturer Buzz Chernoff. Those who had not already visited the Grange Expo were encouraged to view the assembled displays through Saturday evening.

The Worthy Lecturer, Buzz Chernoff, recognized the birth of one of our “elder” members, Jack Eyler. In honor of Jack and all other members celebrating their natal day the delegates sang “Happy Birthday.”

Brother Robert Clouse presented information about the passing of Common Sense from this mortal coil.

The Election committee assumed their position on the stage.

Nominations for Offices:

Final announcements were made from the Overseer’s station.

The second day of the 136th Annual California State Grange meeting closed at 8:40 PM.

Third Day of Session

The third day of the 137th Annual Session of the California State Grange began with the entrance of the California State Youth Opening Team to a medley of thematic-appropriate musical selections. The meeting was opened by Worthy Master Joseph Stefenoni at 8:40 AM. The opening song, *This Land is Your Land*, was introduced by Worthy Lecturer Patty Allen. The flag was presented by Worthy Ceres Pro Tem Lauren Nebitt.

National Grange Master, Ed Luttrell, California State Grange Master, Randall Lewis, and National Grange Pomona Linda Lewis were welcomed and spoke offering their complements to the youth team for a job well done.

Roll Call of Officers was taken, Stephanie Knigge absent, Suzi Laskowski pro tem, all other officers found present.

California State Grange Youth Opening Team 2009

Master	Joseph Stefenoni,	Sonoma County
Overseer	Jeremy Heckman	Butte County
Lecturer	Patty Allen	Sonoma County
Steward	Ryan Schlegel	Santa Cruz County
Assist. Steward	Brandon Nebitt	Kern County
Lady Assist. Steward	Marta Kroger	Contra Costa County
Chaplain	Katie Heckman	Butte County
Treasurer	Sean Bird	El Dorado County
Secretary	Katie Squire	Fresno County
Gatekeeper	Travis Kroger	Contra Costa County

Ceres	Lauren Nebitt	Kern County
Pomona	Ellie Bruce	Mendocino County
Flora	Miranda Moog	Mendocino County
Ex. Committeemen	Linda Lewis	Los Angeles County
	Suzy Laskowski	Kern County
	Karen Heckman	Butte County
Musician	Martha Stefenoni	Sonoma

The meeting was set at ease for the Youth Exit march.

The meeting was called back to order at 9:10 AM.

The Minutes of the Second Day of the 137th Annual Session of the California State Grange were presented by Secretary, Katie Squire. Errors and omissions were noted, corrections made and rephrasing suggested. **It was moved and seconded** to accept the minutes and print them as corrected in the Journal of Proceedings. **Motion carried.**

Election Results

Frank Nichols returned with the results for the office of Asst. Steward

Jeremy Heckman 154

Minnie Mouse 1

Destroyed 1

Harold Shimmer 2

Jim McDaniel 1

Spiderman 1

Jeremy Heckman was declared elected to the position of Assistant Steward.

Nominations for Lady Assistant Steward

Suzy Laskowski respectfully declined

Stephannie Knigge Amador County

Katie Heckman respectfully declined

Final Credential Report

The worthy Secretary announced the final Credential Report. Nineteen Pomona Granges are represented by 33 Delegates. Eighty-seven Community Granges are represented by 152 delegates. Total voting delegates 185.

Additional resolutions were distributed, beginning just before 10:00 AM.

Election Results

Frank Nichols rejoined the assembly with the results of the election for the office of Lady Assistant Steward.

Stephanie Knigge 148

Mrs. Harold Shimmer 1

Katie Heckman 1

Stephanie Knigge was declared elected to the office of Lady Assistant Steward for the 2009-2011 term.

Nominations for Chaplain

Barbara Geiger Santa Cruz County

Pat Dahms Butte County

Bettyann Biringer-Rehm Humboldt County

Worthy Master Randall Lewis explained the origins of the term “I’d Be Delighted”. It was coined by Brother Webb Justi, Youth Director for the National Grange, at the time of Marshall Plan. The National Grange had an exchange program at that time with German youth who came to live with farm families in the United States. The youth were encouraged, whenever they were asked to do something, to respond with “I’d be delighted.”

It was moved by Rich Saxe and seconded that the order of election for officers be changed to have the Executive Committee be moved to next in line for the election. The motion was declared out of order by the Master as the order of election is outlined in the Subordinate Manual. The assembly was polled regarding postponing the Lecturers symposium or printing it in the Journal of Proceedings. The Delegates made it known that they were willing to forgo the symposium in the interests of time.

Election Results

Frank Nichols returned to report the results of the Election for Chaplain.

Barbara Geiger 106

Pat Dahms 30

Bettyann Biringler-Rehm 19

Barbara Geiger was declared elected to the office of Chaplain for the 2009-2011 term.

Nominations for the office of Treasurer

Marian Nichols Yolo County

Cheri Bunker Butte County

Grange Law Committee

Brother Howard Sihnor was introduced to process Grange Law resolutions.

Res 09-026r: Amend Section 17.2 of the CSG By-Laws, committee recommendation favorable. *Committee recommendation adopted. Resolution adopted.*

Resolutions 09-27 and 09-28 transferred to Grange Activities

Res 09-032: Discretionary Spending – killed in committee.

Res 09-34R: Sale of Grange Halls, committee recommendation favorable. It was pointed out that appointing committees, by Grange Law, is vested with the Master.

It was moved by Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Karen Heckman, to amend the resolved to read “That the CSG form a standing property committee.” Strike the balance of the resolve. A friendly amendment was offered by Bob McFarland and accepted by the maker of the motion. So resolve will read “That the California State Grange form a standing Property Committee and that the duties of this committee shall include the evaluation of inactive Grange halls and properties.” Discussion of the amendment to the resolution. Brother Rich Saxe offered a friendly amendment, proposing that the committee include the Membership Director, it was not accepted.

It was moved by Jack Surmani and seconded by Laney Cotler to amend the amendment adding “including the local community stakeholders and the membership department”.

The Previous Question was moved by Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Trudie Martin. *The previous question prevailed. Amendment to the amendment failed.*

Previous Question was called for by Leo Bergeron and seconded by Barbara Geiger. *Previous question prevailed. Amendment to the resolution passed.*

Resolution as amended returned to the floor. *Committee recommendation adopted as amended, resolution adopted as amended.*

Res 09-035: Full Financial Disclosure, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion. **Motion by Inger Bevans and seconded by Mike Byers** to recommit the resolution. *Passed, resolution returned to the committee.*

Res 09-49 killed in committee.

Res 09-51: Grange Hall Loan Trust Deed and Promissory Note, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion of the resolution. *Committee recommendation adopted. Resolution adopted.*

Res 09-55 withdrawn by the maker of the resolution

Res 09-042R was printed without the permission of the committee. The Grange Activities Committee will deal with this resolution as originally presented.

Res 09-030 killed in committee.

Res 09-037 killed in committee

Election Results

Trudie Martin returned with the results of the election for Treasurer.

Marian Nichols **115**

Cheri Bunker 44

Marian Nichols was declared the winner and will serve as Treasurer for the term 2009-2011.

Nominations for the Office of Secretary

Jinjer Hearn Lake County

Kalie Benson Sacramento County

Katie Squire respectfully declined

Agriculture Committee

Brother Johnny Squire, Chairman of the Ag Committee presented the committee's single resolution.

Res 09-036 Local Farmland Preservation and Food Security, committee recommendation favorable with a friendly amendment inserting the words "farmland preservation," prior to farmers market. **It was moved by Leo Bergeron to amend**, striking the "s" from reaffirms and insert "one of" following reaffirm, and add an "s" to mission. A friendly amendment was offered and accepted to strike the word "primary". The resolve will read "that the CSG and the National Grange reaffirm one of its missions is to support local small scale and family farms as an essential mainstay of local economies and food security, including support for farmland preservation, farmers markets, community gardens and gardening, and food education programs at Grange halls and in Grange communities. **Motion to amend withdrawn by the maker of the motion.**

Resolution as presented by the committee returned to the floor. The **previous question was moved by Martha Stefanoni and seconded by Leo Bergeon. Previous question prevailed. Resolution as amended by the committee adopted.**

Additional resolutions were passed to the assembly at 11:00 AM.

Election Results

Frank Nichols returned with the results of the election for Secretary.

Jinjer Hearn 52

Kalie Benson **102**

Blank 3

Kalie Benson was declared elected Secretary for the ensuing term, 2009-2011.

Nominations for the office of Gatekeeper

Jack Eyler	respectfully declined
Bob Alvarez	Butte
Lee Geiger	Santa Cruz
Brandon Nebitt	Kern
Bettyann Biringer-Rehm	Humbolt

Res 062R Klamath River Water Quality, committee recommendation favorable as amended. Clarification was offered regarding the changes made in the resolution. **It was moved by John Louvas and seconded** to substitute the resolution for committee report. *Motion passed. Resolution returned to floor with no recommendation.*

It was moved by Kathy Bergeron and seconded by Johnny Squire to reject the resolution. *Motion failed.*

Moved by Bob McFarland and seconded by Karen Heckman to adopt the resolution.

It was moved by Leo Bergeron and seconded by Kathy Bergeron to strike the word “enforcement” from the resolve. *Motion carried, resolution amended. Resolution as amended adopted.*

The Grange was set at recess at 12:30 PM for the Youth Lunch. The hungry participants tucked in for a picnic style lunch.

The meeting resumed at 2:06 PM.

Election Results

Brother Frank Nichols returned with results of the election for Gatekeeper.

Bob Alvarez	73*
Lee Geiger	40*
Brandon Nebitt	28
Bettyann Biringer-Rehm	16
Jack Eyler	1
Destroyed	1

A runoff was declared between Bob Alvarez and Lee Geiger.

Benefit Providers

Tom McKern was introduced to speak briefly about the Grange Insurance Association. Tony Lamb addressed the group regarding the future and how he can benefit the Grange through fundraising efforts and Prepaid Legal. Finally the Worthy Master presented Larry Lazano from American Income Life for his comments.

Election Results

Frank Nichols returned with the results of the election for Gatekeeper.

Bob Alvarez	90
Lee Geiger	56
Blank	2

Bob Alvarez was declared elected for the term of 2009-2011.

Nominations for Ceres

Nancy Alvarez	Butte County
Katie Heckman	Butte County
Julie Kroger	respectfully declined

Water Committee

Brother Dave Lewis returned to work additional resolutions.

Res 09-070: New CSG Policy on Dam Projects, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion. *Committee recommendation adopted. Resolution adopted.*

The report of the Water Committee was presented by Chairman Lewis.

It was moved by Jim McDaniel and seconded by Lyndy Wright to accept the report of the water committee and print it in Journal of Proceedings.

Grange Law Committee

Grange Law Committee Chairman Howard Sihnor returned to work resolutions.

Res 09-031R: Convention Committee, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion.

Election Committee

Frank Nichols returned with the results of the election for the office of Ceres.

Nancy Alvarez	84
Katie Heckman	67
Linda Lewis	1

The Master declared Nancy Alvarez elected to the office of Ceres for the ensuing term.

Res 09-031R, continued. A friendly amendment was offered and accepted, adding “no later than” prior to “60 days” in the resolved.

Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.

Nominations for the Office of Pomona

Lauren Nebitt	Kern County
Susan Megeath	Sacramento County
Marta Kroger	respectfully declined
Katie Heckman	respectfully declined

Res 033R: Members Access to Executive Committee Meetings, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion.

The Worthy Master requested Past Master of CSG Robert Clouse to assume the chair so that he could speak on the resolution. **It was moved by Jan Saxton to amend and seconded by Lindy Wright**, adding the words “or an emergency meeting” after legal issue and add “either” after via and insert “or” before publication.

Amendment adopted.

Resolution as amended returned to the floor. A friendly amendment was offered and accepted striking “including Grangespeak and E-mail meetings,” additional discussion.

Motion by Kathy Bergeron and seconded by Bob Alvarez to Postpone Indefinitely. Motion carried. Resolution Postponed Indefinitely.

Res 09-048R: Expand Affiliate Membership, committee recommendation favorable.

Election Results

Frank Nichols returned with the results of the election for Pomona.

Lauren Nebitt	84
Susan Megeath	71
Katie Heckman	1

Master Lewis declared Lauren Nebitt elected to the position to Pomona for the term 2009-2011.

Nominations for the Office of Flora

Marta Kroger Contra Costa County

Discussion for Res 09-048R.

The previous question was moved by Ken Donnell and seconded by Cheri Bunker. Previous question prevailed. *Resolution adopted.*

Res 09-073R: Dues Payment Method; By-Law Change, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion. **Linda Lewis moved and Cheri Bunker seconded** to table the resolution. *Motion carried. Resolution tabled.*

Election Results:

Frank Nichols returned with the results for the position of Flora.

Marta Kroger	145
Blank	3
Dale Baker	1
Susan Megeath	1
Mrs. Harold Schimmer	1
Minnie Mouse	1
Destroyed	1
Linda Lewis	1

Marta Kroger was declared elected to the position of Flora for the ensuing term.

Nomination for Executive Committee 3 year Term

Leo Bergeron	respectfully declined
Shirley Baker	Sacramento County
Johnny Squire	respectfully declined
Jinjer Hearn	Yolo County

It was moved by Jack Eyler and seconded by Lyndy Wright to return to the title of California Grange Convention and no longer use the term Annual Membership Meeting. *Motion carried.*

Charlie Bretschart requested that the Veterans be recognized by a show of hands. It was suggested that in the future we return to honoring our past service members.

The meeting was set at ease at 4:00 PM for a short break for committees to work.

The meeting reconvened at 4:18 PM.

Election Results

Frank Nichols returned with the results of the election for Executive Committeeman, 3-Year term.

Shirley Baker	119
Jinjer Hearn	31
Destroyed	2
Randy Lewis	1

The Worthy Master declared Shirley Baker as elected to a 3-year term as Executive Committeeman.

Nominations for Executive Committee – 3 Year Term

Randy Lewis	respectfully declined
Yvette Adams	Yuba County

Frank Nichols Yolo County
Larry Kroger Contra Costa

Clarification was offered for the recognition of Veterans at this year's convention.

Grange Activities Committee

Sister Rosemary Hansen came to the podium to work resolutions.

Res 09-002: Support For Re-Organized Granges, committee recommendation unfavorable. Discussion. The monies referred to as "Reverted Funds" were explained. **It was moved by Mike Byers and seconded by Buzz Chernoff to substitute the resolution for the committee report. Motion to substitute passed. It was moved by Buzz Chernoff and seconded by Barbara Geiger to adopt the resolution.** Discussion. **Lauren Nebitt moved to table the resolution. Motion failed. The previous question was moved by Joan Poulos and seconded by Bob McFarland. Previous question prevailed. Resolution adopted as written.**

Res 09-006: Allow Discussion at CSG Convention of Some Resolutions That Are Already Grange Policy, committee recommendation unfavorable. Discussion.

Election Results

Dolores Larrigan reported the results of the election for Executive Committee 3-year Term.

Larry Kroger	91
Frank Nichols	22
Yvette Adams	37

Larry Kroger was announced as elected to the office of Executive Committee for a 3-year term.

Nominations for Executive Committee - 2 year Term

Leo Bergeron	Siskiyou County
Jon Luvaas	Butte County
Frank Nichols	respectfully declined

Further discussion of Res 0-006. **Recommendation adopted. Resolution rejected.**

Res 09-024: Release Restriction on GBO Funds. Committee recommendation unfavorable.

Motion by Inger Bevans and second by Martha Stefenoni to Substitute the Resolution for the Committee Recommendation, motion failed.

Resolution returned to the floor with an unfavorable committee recommendation. Discussion. The current restrictions on the GBO funds were explained and what was the GBO. **Susan Megeath moved the Previous Question and was seconded by Barbara Geiger. Previous Question prevailed. Committee recommendation adopted. Resolution rejected.**

Moment of Personal Privilege

Russell Harris presented a poetic salute to the National Master, Ed Luttrell.

Election Result

Brother Nichols returned with the results of the Election for Executive Committeeman.

Leo Bergeron	52
John Luvaas	96
Frank Nichols	3
Destroyed	1

John Luvaas was declared elected to the office of Executive Committeeman for a 2-year term.

Nominations Executive Committee 2-year Term

Jack Surmani	Humbolt County
Johnny Squire	Fresno County
Leo T. Bergeron	Siskiyou County

It was announced that the Junior Silent Auction would remain open for 15 minutes beyond the recess. The meeting was recessed at 5:22 PM for dinner.

The Grange was reopened for the exemplification of the degree work.

The Fifth Degree was exemplified by the California Grange Youth at 7:30 PM.

2009 California State Youth Fifth Degree Team

Master	Marta Kroger	Contra Costa County
Overseer	Joseph Stefenoni	Sonoma County
Lecturer	Lauren Nebitt	Kern County
Steward	Ryan Schlegel	Santa Cruz County
Assistant Steward	Jeremy Heckman	Butte County
Lady Assist. Steward	Stephanie Knigge	Amador County
Chaplain	Katie Heckman	Butte County
Gatekeeper	Travis Kroger	Contra Costa County
Ceres	Ellie Bruce	Mendocino County
Pomona	Ileshia Knigge	Amador County
Flora	Miranda Moog	Mendocino County
Musician	Martha Stefenoni	Sonoma County
Specter	Brandon Nebitt	Kern County

After the completion of the Fifth Degree, the meeting was set at recess by Master Kroger in preparation for the Sixth Degree.

The meeting was reopened in the 5th Degree at 8:30 PM with National Grange Master Ed Luttrell in the chair. The meeting was raised to the 6th Degree and the Assistant Stewards escorted the marching candidates from the hall in preparation for the Sixth Degree. The Officers of the California State Grange presented the exemplification of the Sixth Degree, followed by the Harvest Feast.

The Grange was set at ease at 9:27 PM for the feast of Flora.

Master Randall Lewis returned to the chair. Thanks were offered to National Grange Master Ed Luttrell, and the officers for an excellent exemplification of the degree. The Rose Drill team from Mount Hamilton Grange was thanked for their dedication. The Worthy Master then offered his most sincere congratulations to the 32 new Fifth Degree members and the 42 newest members of the Sixth Degree of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry.

Reconvened at 9:45 PM and lowered to the 4th Degree

Election Results

Brother Frank returned with election results

Jack Surmani	57*
Leo Bergeron	55*
Johnny Squire	39

A runoff was announced between Jack Surmani and Leo Bergeron.

The contribution to retire the debt has collected \$369 to date.

Res 09-029: Acting Upon Resolutions, Motions and Policy, Amended line 15 delete “February” and insert “July”. Committee recommends favorable as amended. **Martha Stefenoni moved** to change 90 days to 120, **the motion was seconded. Amendment adopted. Committee recommendation as amended adopted. Resolution adopted as amended.**

Motion made by Martha Stefenoni to change all “Annual Member Meeting” wording to “Convention”, seconded by Lyndy Wright. Motion passed.

Res 09-042: Tracking of Previous Resolutions, committee recommendation, unfavorable. **Committee recommendation adopted. Resolution rejected.**

Res 09-043: State Grange Convention Sites, unfavorable recommendation. Discussion. **Bob McFarland moved the Previous Question, seconded by Joseph Stefenoni. Previous Question prevailed. Committee recommendation adopted. Resolution rejected.**

Res 09-056: Location of the CSG Executive Committee Meetings
Committee recommendation, unfavorable. Discussion. **Rich Saxe moved** to substitute the resolution for the committee report. **Failed. Committee recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.**

Election Results

Frank Nichols returned with the results of the run-off election.

Jack Surmani 54

Leo Bergeron 64

Johnny Squire 1

Leo Bergeron was elected for a 2-year term as Executive Committeeman.

Nominations for the office of Musician

Ryan Schlegel Santa Cruz County

Res 09-060: Micro-financing Program, committee recommendation unfavorable. This is a foundation issue and not a California State Grange matter. Discussion. **Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.**

Res 09-061: Safe and Professional Workplace, committee recommendation unfavorable. This is already the law. **Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.**

Res 09-063: Alternative Energy, committee recommendation unfavorable. **Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.**

Res 09-027: Legal Expense, committee recommendation unfavorable. **Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.**

Res 09-028: Responsibilities of the Executive Committee, committee recommendation unfavorable. Discussion on the matter.

It was moved by Liz Reynolds to substitute the resolution for the committee report, second by Buzz Chernoff. Motion carried. Resolution returned to the floor without a recommendation.

It was moved by Joseph Stefenoni to reject the resolution, second by Lee Geiger. Discussion regarding the resolution. **Motion for the Previous question made by Lauren Nebitt and seconded by Leo Bergeron. Previous Question prevailed, resolution rejected.**

Election Committee Results

Brother Nichols returned to report the results of the election for Musician.

Ryan Schlegel 114

Harold 1

Destroyed 1

The Worthy Master declared by the vote Ryan Schlegel was elected Musician for the ensuing term.

Moment of Personal Privilege

Brother Rick Davis spoke briefly about the revitalization of Alpine Grange in the Palmdale-Lancaster area. Brother Bob Clouse pointed out that they also had over 1000 entries at the Antelope Valley Fair.

Res 09-039: Disaster Emergency Preparedness, committee recommendation favorable as amended. *Recommendation adopted and resolution adopted.*

Res 09-074: EC Authority to Handle Vista Grange Issue, committee recommendation favorable. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Res 09-075: State Grange Audit, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion of the resolution was undertaken. **It was moved by Les Reynolds** to amend by inserting “on a one year or two year audit”, **second by Bill Thomas**. The Worthy Master referred the delegates to the points that he made in the second part of his address. *Amendment withdrawn by the maker. Motion by Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Les Reynolds* to amend to “Resolved, the California State Grange conduct a financial audit at least every two years. *Amendment adopted. Resolution amended. Committee recommendation adopted as amended and resolution adopted.*

Res 09-025: Eliminate Grange Month Freebies, committee recommendation favorable. **Moved by Kathy Bergeron** to substitute the resolution for the committee report, **motion seconded by Bob Alvarez**, *motion narrowly failed*. Committee recommendation returned to the floor. Discussion of the issue. **The Previous Question was moved by Leroy Squire, second by Joseph Stefenoni. Previous question prevailed. Recommendation rejected. Resolution rejected.**

Sister Hansen presented the final report of the Grange Activities Committee.

Conservation and Environmental Affairs

Jan Saxton, Chairman of Conservation and Environmental Affairs was introduced to work her committee’s resolutions.

Res 09-004: Forest Fire Management, committee recommendation favorable as amended. *Recommendation adopted. Resolution adopted as amended.*

Res 09-005: combined with 09-059.

Res 09-010: combined with 09-059

Res 09-047: Utilize new Discovered Oil Reserves in America, committee recommendation favorable as amended. Discussion was presented on the issue. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted as amended.*

Res 09-050R: Eliminate Catch and Release Trout Streams, committee recommendation favorable. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Res 09-059: Regulations Pertaining to Inspection of Septic Systems, committee recommendation favorable as amended. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted as amended.*

Res 09-071: Opposition to the Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) north coast region process, committee recommendation favorable. It was pointed out that MLPA needs to be spelled out, accepted as a friendly amendment. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Sister Saxton presented the final report of the Conservation and Environmental Affairs committee.

It was moved by Cheri Bunker and seconded by Lyndy Wright to accept the report of the Conservation and Environmental Affairs committee. *Motion carried, the report will be printed in the Journal of Proceedings.*

Moved by Cheri Bunker and seconded by Yvette Adams to accept the report of the Grange Activities Committee and print it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Moment of Personal Privilege

The Master allowed the National Master a moment of personal privilege. Master Luttrell and Sister Celia presented a personal gift to Master Lewis and Sister Linda. They expected that the Master would be grilled in one way or another so a gift of Grilling Sauce was very appropriate.

Health Committee

Chairman Jim McDaniel presented his health report, he has been doing considerable research into hospital care. He then presented the committee resolutions.

Res 09-068: Grange Dedication to Ending Childhood-Onset Type-2 Diabetes, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion about the issue from the committee and from the floor. **It was moved by Bettyann Biringer-Rehm and seconded by BJ Fitzpatrick** to substitute the resolution for the committee report. *Motion failed.* **It was moved by BJ Fitzpatrick and seconded by Lyndy Wright** to Table the resolution. *Motion carried, resolution tabled.*

Res 09-072: Food/Drink Product Labeling, committee recommendation favorable with friendly amendments. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Res 09-017: Expedite the CSG's Long-Standing Mental Health Policy, committee recommendation favorable. *Recommendation rejected, resolution lost.*

Res 09-019: Support Universal Health Care, committee recommendation favorable as amended. Discussion regarding the resolution and the issue of health care. **It was moved by Les Reynolds** to table the resolution, **second by Cheri Bunker.** *Motion passed, resolution tabled.*

Res 09-022: Grange Strongly Support Control of America's Illegal Drug Problem, committee recommendation favorable as amended. **Motion by Martha Stefenoni, second by Joseph Stefenoni** to Postpone Indefinitely. *Motion carried, resolution postponed.*

Brother McDaniel thanked his committee and presented a brief report to be filed in the Journal of Proceedings.

Transportation Committee

Chairman Bill Allen was introduced to present the committee resolutions.

Res 09-069: Motorcycle Lane Splitting Speed Limits, committee recommendation favorable as amended. Discussion. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Res 09-011: Motorcycle Menance, committee recommendation unfavorable. *Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.*

Res 09-044: Keep Rural Rest Areas Functioning, recommendation favorable as amended. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Brother Allen presented the final report of the Transportation Committee.

It was moved by Joseph Stefenoni and seconded by Jeremy Heckman to accept the report of the Transportation Committee and print it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Education Committee

Sister Linda McCracken presented the resolutions of the Education Committee.

Res 09-057: withdrawn by maker.

09-038: Need More Rural Doctors, committee recommendation favorable. *Recommendation adopted, resolution adopted.*

Sister McCracken presented the final report of the Education Committee.

It was moved by Dale Baker and seconded by Jeremy Heckman to accept the report of the Education Committee and print it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Public Policy Committee

Chairman Sylvia Sloan presented the Public Policy resolutions to the delegate body.

Res 09-008: Medicare for Congress, recommendation unfavorable. Discussion. *Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.*

Res 09-013: Implement Voter ID, committee recommendation unfavorable. *Committee recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.*

Res 09-012: State Prisoner Release, committee recommendation unfavorable. *Committee recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.*

Res 09-018: support Improvement in Communication With State Agencies, committee recommendation unfavorable. *Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.*

Res 09-045: Support Formation of Price Control Action Group, committee recommendation unfavorable. Discussion. *Recommendation adopted, resolution rejected.*

Res 09-058: Eliminate the Use of Depleted Uranium Ordnance, committee recommendation favorable. Discussion ensued regarding the issue and use of depleted uranium. *Committee recommendation rejected, resolution rejected.*

Final report of the Public Policy Committee was presented by Sister Sloan. **It was moved by Jeremy Heckman and seconded by Leroy Squire** to accept the report of the Public Policy and print it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

The resolution pad was reviewed and a resolution from the Grange Activities Committee was discovered as not having been processed. Chairman Rosemary Hansen returned to present the resolution.

09-035R: Full Financial Disclosure, committee recommendation favorable. **Motion by Joseph Stefenoni and seconded by Jeremy Heckman** to postpone the resolution indefinitely. *Motion carried. Resolution postponed.*

09-054: killed in committee

The labors of the day and night were completed at 12:57 AM. The Assistants closed the Bible and the meeting was adjourned for the night. A line of weary patrons toddled off to bed.

FOURTH DAY OF SESSION

The morning session of the final day of the 137th Annual Session of the California State Grange began with the Grange Memorial service. We recognized the Patrons who have laid down their implements here on earth and received that welcome, "Well done faithful servant." The service was presented under the direction of Worthy Chaplain Barbara Geiger.

Following the service the prize winning baked goods and confections from the Grange Exposition were auctioned to the eager audience. \$664 was collected to provide awards for the GWA sponsored contests in the Grange Exposition.

Beginning at 10:30 AM the 2009-2011 Officers of the California State Grange were installed in a moving ceremony by the installation team.

Opening Master	Randall Lewis
Installing Officer	Lee Geiger
Marshall	Joseph Stefenoni
Regalia Bearer	Rosemary Hansen
Emblem Bearer	Katie Heckman
Chaplain	Etta Smith
Soloist	Barbara Geiger
Musician	Inger Bevans

The final day of the California State Grange Session was opened in full form in the Sixth Degree by the newly installed Officers of the California State Grange with Master Bob McFarland rapping the gavel at 12:07 PM. The flag was presented by Worthy Flora Marta Kroger.

Moment of Personal Privilege

Marta Kroger offered her thanks to the members who assisted with the preparations for the Degree work.

Samuel L Williams Trophy

The Samuel L Williams is presented to the Grange having the most youth representation at the annual convention. Because of a 4-way tie, this year it is being presented to the entire youth committee.

The minutes of the previous day were presented by Past Secretary, Katie Squire.

It was moved by Mike Byers and seconded by Kathy Bergeron to accept the minutes of the previous day. *Motion carried.*

It was moved that any remaining committee reports be submitted to the secretary for inclusion in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Moment of Personal Privilege

Liz Reynolds thanked everyone for their concerns for her and all of the help that that has been given. She also spoke about her Granddaughter Mackenzie who is extremely ill with MRSA in her lungs. The delegates were led in prayer by Worthy Chaplain Barbara Geiger.

It was announced that a donation of \$500 was being made from the Convention Committee to assist Mackenzie's family in their time of need.

Past Officers Pins were presented to the officers who have retired and or changed positions this year.

Nominations for Convention Locations

Presentations of bids for convention locations for 2010 and beyond were given. Cheri Bunker offered information about using Palermo Grange in Butte County. Curtis Lindley presented a PowerPoint inviting the Grange to Del Norte & Humbolt Counties in 2011. Dom Lomboy offered an invitation from Mount Hamilton Grange in Santa Clara County for 2010.

It was moved by Dolores Larrigan and seconded to select Mt. Hamilton Grange in 2010. *Motion carried.*

It was moved by Ken Donnell and seconded by Dale Baker to hold the 2011 convention at Palermo Grange. Discussion. *Motion carried.*

It was moved by Katie Squire and seconded by Joseph Stefenoni that the Executive Committee have the final authority to decide on a location based on additional circumstances, such as prices of lodging or facilities. *Motion carried.*

The Worthy Master appointed Buzz Chernoff and Dale Baker as co-chairs for the 2010 convention.

Nurse's Report:

The nurse's report given by BettyAnn Birrenger-Rehm. **It was moved by Erica Bruce and seconded by Liz Reynolds** that the Nurse's report be accepted and printed in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Expo Report:

Sister Katie Squire presented her thanks to all of volunteers who helped to put on Grange Exposition. 664 items were entered, but nearly 200 items were No Shows. Nearly ¼ of the entrants were brand new exhibitors this year. The members were reminded that they must promote the Expo within their communities. **It was moved by Dolores Larrigan and seconded by BJ Fitzpatrick** to accept the Expo Report and print it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried.*

Convention Steering Committee

Buzz Chernoff presented a brief report of the Convention Steering Committee, thanking the volunteers that helped to make it a successful convention. Bob Clouse added his comments about the convention. Dale Baker thanked the GWA, Junior and Expo Committees for their work. Amy Self also offered her thanks to the members who opened their homes to other Grange members. It was a win-win situation

It was moved by Joseph Stefenoni and seconded by Kalie Benson to accept the report of the Convention Steering Committee. *Motion carried.*

Debt Reduction Fund

A total of \$408 was collected to assist in reducing the debt of the California State Grange.

Resolution of Appreciation

Brother Lee Geiger presented the Resolution of Appreciation. **Moved by Dale Baker and seconded by Cheri Bunker** to accept the Resolution of Appreciation and print it in the Journal of Proceedings. *Motion carried and so ordered.*

Silent Auction

Suzanne Moramarco reported that \$953 was collected for the Junior - Youth Activities silent auction. **Liz Reynolds moved and Dolores Larrigan seconded to accept the report of the Silent Auction and print it in the Journal of Proceedings.**

The final day of the 136th Annual California State Grange Session was closed at 2:37 PM with a fraternal altar circle. The closing song was "God Be with You". And until we meet again in 2010 at Mt. Hamilton Grange the California State Grange was closed.

**Respectfully submitted,
Katie Squire, Immediate Past Secretary**

Delegates to 137th Annual Session

California State Grange Sacramento, CA

Alpine Grange #665

Richard "Rick" Davis
Richard Gant

American River Grange #172

Susan Megeath
William "Bill" Thomas

Anderson Grange #418

Rosemary Hansen

Anderson Valley Grange #669

David Norfleet

Aptos Grange #800

Randy Turnquist
Robin Turnquist

Aromas Grange #361

Jan Saxton
Doug Clark

Bachelor Valley Grange #667

Donald "Don" Clay

Bayside Grange #500

Dwight Winegar
Jack Surmani

Bellevue Grange #374

Judith "Pat" Wilson
David Wilson

Bennett Valley Grange #16

William "Bill" Allen
Patty Allen

Berry Creek Grange #694

Jane Kachel
Lola Adamczak

Bodega Bay Grange #777

David Lewis
Joan Poulos

Butte Pomona Grange #16

Cheri Bunker
Vivian Grainger

Chico Grange #486

Jon Luvaas
Charles Voss

Cloverdale Grange #456

Lyndy Wright
Luther Wright

Clovis-Sanger Grange #842

JoAnna Eckert

Craig Eckert

Corral De Tierra Grange #474

Ingermarie Bevans

Cupertino Grange #739

Patricia

Danville Grange #85

Julie Kroger
Larry Kroge

De Sabla Grange #762

Karen Heckman
Jeremy Heckman

Dows Prairie Grange #505

Larry Hourany, PhD
Bettyann Biringner-

Durham Grange #460

Sylvia Sloan
Richard Roth

El Dorado-Amador Pomona #14

Angelo Battaglia
Joann Ricks

Elk Grove Grange #86

Jonnie Sihner
Howard Sihner

Fort Bragg Grange #672

George Reinhardt
Rick Shoop

Freshwater Grange #499

Mary Myers
Laura Sullivan

Fresno-Madera Pomona #24

Leroy Squire

Gazelle Grange #380

Patricia McDaniel

Gilroy Grange #398

Leona Reif

Gold Hill Grange #326

Richmond Johnson
Carol Ormsby

Golden Empire Grange #806

Beverly Glenn

Greenhorn Grange #384

Anthony Intiso
Sibbie Intiso

Grover City Grange #746

- Bill Compton, Sr
 Joan Compton
Hangtown Grange #464
 Glen Wiles
 Christina Transue
Hessel Grange #750
 Beth Lewis
Humboldt Grange #501
 Judy Byers
Humboldt-Del Norte Pomona #19
 B.J. Fitzpatrick
Independent Grange #470
 Walter Dodd
 Kathryn Parra
Ione Grange #681
 Dolores Larrigan
 Darelld Larrigan
Kerman Grange #484
 Mary Grinstead
 Deloss Grinstead
Kern Pomona Grange #26
 Darlene Wingfield
 Lauren Nebitt
Lake County Pomona #43
 Carole Givich
 Marilyn Hicks
Lake Earl Grange #577
 Mike Byers
 Pamela Kimball
Lake Francis Grange #745
 Richard Dahms
 Pat Dahms
Little Lake Grange #670
 Erica Bruce
 Lanny Cotler
Lockeford District Grange #579
 Victoria Gribaudo
 Lucille Borra
Loma Rica Grange #802
 Peggy Myers
 Yvette Adams
Lompoc Grange #646
 Jim Holden
 Judy Holden
Loomis Grange #638
 Laverne Jensen
 Kathleen Stanley
Los Alamos Valley Grange #647
 Laverne Rantz
 Jackie Rantz
Marina Grange #518
- Christine Leetch
 Kenneth Leetch
Marshall Grange #451
 Gerald "Buzz" Chernoff
 Linda Chernoff
McCloud Grange #831
 Craigens Potter
 James McDaniel
Meadow Vista Grange #721
 Ruth Verrue
 Patty Fullerton
Mendocino County Pomona #10
 Henry Strock
 Monterey County Pomona #17
 Barbara Geiger
 Richard "Rich"
Morgan Hill Grange #408
 Julia Starling
 Jack Todd
Mt. Hamilton Grange #469
 Domingo Lomboy
Mt. Springs Grange #754
 Doris Springer
Mt. Vernon Grange #453
 Manuel Ferreira
 Roberta Ferreira
North Shore Grange #822
 Barbara Medicas
 Jinjer Hearn
Oakdale Grange #435
 Bob Pinney
Ojai Valley Grange #659
 Alan Cornelius
 Dian Cornelius
Orangevale Grange #354
 Shirley Baker
 Dale Baker
Ostrom Grange #751
 Loura Kavanangh
 Marval Stockton
Palermo Grange #493
 Betty Morris
Paradise Grange #490
 Michael Walden
 Karen Quattlander
Pilot Hill Grange #1
 William "Joe" White
 Michael "Mike"
Placer Nugget Pomona #29
 Russell Harris
 Marlene Hogaboom

Pleasant Valley Grange #875

Bob McFarland
Wendy McFarland

Plumas-Sierra Pomona #18

Judith Johnson-Donnell
Ken Donnell

Prunedale Grange #388

Michelle Faeth
Etta Smith

Rainbow Valley Grange # 689

Suzanne Moramarco

Ramona Grange #632

Lucette Moramarco

Redwood Valley Grange #382

Donald Lauenroth

Rincon Valley Grange #710

Carrie Behler

Rio Linda Grange #403

Renea Negri
Linda MacCracken

Riverdale Grange #624

Johnny Squire
Katie Squire

Rohner Grange #509

Curtis Lindley
Lois Trumbull

Rosedale Grange #565

Brandon Nebitt
Suzie Laskowski

Rutherford Grange #371

Peg Cann
Nick Cann

Sacramento County Pomona #2

Kalie Benson
Summer Maddux

San Bernardo Grange #506

Beverly Kelley
Kaeda Kelley

San Fernando Valley Pomona #42

Randall "Randy"
Linda Lewis

San Joaquin-Calaveras Pomona #20

Louise Wiley

San Luis Obispo Grange #639

Elsie Greenmyer
Louise Palmer

Santa Clara County Pomona #4

"Tom" H.F. Sawyer
Frances Sawyer

Santa Cruz Live Oak Grange #503

Takashi Yogi

Carol Yogi

Scott Valley Grange #386

Margaret Ann

Scotts Valley Grange #725

Patricia Gilbert

Sebastopol Grange #306

Joseph Stefenoni
Martha Stefenoni

Siskiyou Pomona #6

Kathy Bergeron
Leo Bergeron

Sonoma Pomona #1

Travis Kroger
Marta Kroger

Springfield Grange #523

Patricia Duarte
Leland Geiger

Thermalito Grange #729

Liz Reynolds
Leslie 'Les' Reynolds

Three Forks Grange #449

Stephen "Steve" Bird
Frank Johnson

Van Duzen River Grange #517

Katherine Harvey

Ventura Pomona Grange #50

Jay Allred
Karen Allred

West Visalia Grange #782

Dennis Judd

Western Yolo Grange #423

Trudie Martin
Frank Nichols

Whitesboro Grange #766

Robert Canclini
Marialice Canclini

Windsor Grange #410

Charlie Betschart
Cherry Betschart

Woodbridge Grange #482

Jay Hartz
Peggy Hartz

Wyandotte Grange #495

Jack Eyler
Betty Eyler

Yankee Hill Grange #735

Robert Alvarez
Nancy Alvarez

Yuba-Sierra Pomona #46

Carolyn Taylor

Summary

# of Subordiante Granges	85 /	180 Open	(47.2%)
# of Pomona Granges	18 /	26 Open Pomona	(69.2%)
# of All Granges	103 /	206 Total	(50%)

Correspondence**Dear Worthy Master,**

Greetings from Montana.

I have just read the latest issue of the California Grange News and find it heartwarming to see all the good things that are going on in the California State Grange and your Grange communities.

The Grange has blessed "me" all through life in so many ways. One sure thing is "I have surrounded myself" with good people, like yourselves.

We had a family reunion here this summer with my four children (and families) that were raised in the Grange family. Today, they are independent, successful and have surrounded themselves with good people.

To you the Delegates, (the Legislative Body of the Order), remember that you run the top from the "grassroots", not like a board of directors that tells you what to do. I hope you and everyone there will "soak up" every Grange minute at your Annual Meeting.

In spite of my absence, I will be with you.

Fraternally,

Dave Austin, Past State Master (1981-89)
Deer Lodge, Montana

P.S. The Grange may go up, the Grange may go down--but the Grange will never go away.

"God be with you till me meet again"

Worthy Master,

Please extend my greetings to the delegates at the session. They are visiting my home grange, of which I'm very proud. My grandparents were the first "caretakers" of the Orangevale Grange, when the cottage was moved onto the property in the early 60's. My grandfather suffered a heart attack in the mid-70's and had to retire as caretakers. But I grew up on the property, mowing yards, washing dishes, and all the other fun stuff that a kid can do at a Grange hall. While we never had a "junior" Grange, my brother and I were a part of every festivity my elders could tolerate. When my older children were born, they, too, roamed the building many times. Christina, as I'm all sure you're aware, is being married on October 31st in Loomis Grange hall. Orangevale was already rented, otherwise, she would have been married in the same Grange hall as her Mother.

I hope the delegates to this session have as many fond memories of the hall and the beautiful grounds as I have over these last 45 years. Founded in 1910, Orangevale Grange has been the center of a growing agrarian community, from small orange groves now to a community with spirit and drive while preserving the family unit.

Please also extend my wish for a fruitful session, and for a changing future that needs an organization like the Grange to guide the citizenry. We are facing many challenges in the next 10 years, the least of which is a continually declining economy. Now more than ever the volunteer organizations in this country need to step to the forefront and become the voice of reason and compromise. The Grange should be leading that charge, both in the state and nationally.

I also wish you all well during the upcoming Holiday Season.

Naomi Fletcher
Past State Master

Section II

Officer's Reports

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Part I

Honored Guests, Brothers and Sisters:

Traditionally, in this portion of my address we look at our legislative policies and our activities beyond the walls of the meeting hall, to report on our efforts to modify “the real world” we live in. Albert Einstein said that “Reality is merely an illusion, albeit a very persistent one.” I like Lilly Tomlin’s definition: “Reality is nothing but a collective hunch.” Which somewhat describes our activities here at this Meeting.

Look at your resolution packet. There are nearly 70 resolutions that seek to change the reality of our world. Some will pass, some will fail, but the end result is that we worked together to create a collective hunch on what will improve our reality.

There is one “reality” I would like to see become an illusion that quickly disappears. When was the last time you heard or read a story about our governance that didn’t contain the phrase, “The vote was along party lines?” When I filled out my ballot I was voting on someone to represent me, not some party. A prime example was California’s recent budget impasse. Our legislators were busy NOT passing a budget by voting for the good of the party and not necessarily what was good for the people. The lack of a budget didn’t hurt the parties much, but there are people who suffered hardship and harm.

You would think that the record-breaking impasse would galvanize the public into getting strongly behind a proposition like the Grange’s “No Budget – No Pay.” Not so. Our effort to put our initiative on the ballot is stalled due to a lack of funds. The reason may be a combination of apathy, the economy, and a lack of knowledge. Personally, I think it may be an example of Plato’s observation that “Those who are too smart to engage in politics are punished by being governed by those who are dumber.”

Brothers and Sisters, if you are tired of being punished, then it is time for action. The next time you hear someone whining about the state of governance, remind them that it would be more beneficial if we stopped wringing our hands and started wringing our legislators. Explain the Grange Legislative program. Ask them to join the Grange and become a part of the solution. Who knows, they may also have ideas on raising the funds needed in pursuit of the goal.

Playing the “political game.” If we are to have any success in getting the resolutions you passed before the Legislature or the regulatory agencies, we must jump through the hoops as required to play the game. That includes visiting many legislators until we can find one sympathetic to our cause and who is willing to submit a bill to make these changes, sometimes even bucking the “party” line. It includes convincing many bureaucrats whose mantra is “Status Quo” that our changes are beneficial and needed.

I would like to see a general policy statement that any law, regulation or decree proposed by our lawmakers must include a thorough study on its effect on the people and the economy, and must have a statement declaring what the law or regulation is attempting to accomplish.

For example, when Governor Schwarzenegger imposed furloughs on state workers, I assume his intention was to save money on salaries, and in some cases overhead for agencies that are closed. I recently saw a report generated for Senator Darrell Steinberg that showed that for every dollar saved in the furlough program, \$14 was lost to the treasury. The money saved is not in circulation. That means income taxes from the worker is lost, along with any sales taxes that might have been generated when spending that money. We must also factor in any taxes and fees paid by the store or service purchased. This is not proper planning.

I would also like to see a general policy that limits our support for “entitlement” programs. Remember, when government accepts responsibility for people, people no longer take responsibility for themselves.

Our governing bodies must also begin taking responsibility for their actions. According to the Sanjay Varshney report, California’s regulatory morass has cost California businesses \$143 Billion a year, and 3.9 million jobs. In the manufacturing sector alone, California lost 235,000 jobs in 2009, while government created 163,700 jobs to support governance and regulation. The prime culprit in jobs migrating out of the State has been pinpointed as its regulatory environment. High costs and unpredictability makes the state uncompetitive. For large employers who might invest in California, it is not uncommon for the permitting process to involve millions of dollars and in some cases, to take as long as 10 years to secure the necessary permits. The Governor and the Legislature must take immediate action to reduce regulatory impediments to business and improve California’s ability to create jobs for its citizens. We must take back our governance, and you can begin by writing letters to your representatives in government, visiting their local offices as representatives of your Grange, and working to inform your communities by sponsoring public forums and through frequent PR in your community papers and media.

Second only to the economy in importance in the minds of the public is the need for health care reform. I have asked the Health Committee to go over the current Bill, and to select items they believe should stay in any health care bill, and those we cannot accept under any circumstances. It is a huge task I set before them. The current bill is over one thousand pages of text. I am not sure if they can finish this task and have a report by Convention’s end, but when it is done we will be sending their recommendations out to Granges and solicit further comment on the subject. Please visit our website often for updates.

There is an old saw that says people who ignore history are likely to repeat it. That, says the Intercollegiate Studies Institute, is why we find ourselves in the economic mess we are in, and why the lack of healthcare coverage for such a large number of Americans. The institute’s Civic Literacy report claims that a whopping seventy-one percent of Americans would fail a basic test on American history, and fewer than four percent would be capable of scoring a B or above. This lack of emphasis on history dooms our country to repeat the rest of the world’s most fatal mistakes.

James Joyce once wrote that there is no future, there is no past, but rather only the present, repeating itself over and over again. Our country continues to ignore the lessons of the global past. The recent economic downturn preceded by vast unregulated corporate greed, indiscriminate government-mandated compassion, wars which seem to have no end in sight, urban neighborhoods faced with the blight of crime and drugs, all this is nothing new, we just act as if it is. We compound the error by adopting attitudes that allows it to continue happening.

What most of us know about extinct civilization and formidable empires of the past is what they learn from Hollywood epics or TV miniseries. Lost are the lessons on why they failed, including the all consuming epidemic of entitlement mentality in the streets that will undermine the prosperity of any empire.

There are many issues which effect Californians that seek answers. While all are important, I feel there are three major concerns foremost in the minds of the citizens today. I have touched on two so far in this address: the economy and healthcare. I have saved the most difficult issue for last.

While the water wars in California, indeed the entire West, has been with us for over a century, no lasting solution to the problem has been found. Today, the war is escalating; The Governor has threatened to veto a large number of bills if the Legislature does not come up with some answers to our water crisis. It is obvious that politicians have no answers, particularly “along party lines.” Perhaps it is time to tell our politicians that their behavior is unacceptable, that what we need is statesmanship.

We can start that process right here at this convention. A perusal of the resolutions in the Water Committee shows that our membership is widely divided on the issue. I have tried to place on the Water Committee Grangers who represent these diverse opinions in the hopes that they will act as statesmen, seeking common ground for the common good, and bring us policy suggestion that favors the welfare of all of our citizens.

This is truly an enormous task, and it may even be an undertaking that cannot be met within the time constraints of this meeting. If that is so, I urge the Committee to continue to work on this problem throughout the year, and to report its findings and conclusions on our website and through the Grange News. I request that anyone with insights and comments contact the Committee and give us the benefit of your thoughts.

We have a hundred years of history in trying to deal with water issues. Let us look at that history and find out why certain policies worked and others did not. Let the Grange lead the way as a peacemaker.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all of the Committees who worked so hard to make the policies we will advocate. I invite each of you to join in our advocacy program and sign up to make calls and visits to the lawmakers in your community, and in promoting discussion in your community by making your Grange an information center through town hall meetings and in encouraging your local media to use the press releases we send out.

I want to thank each and every one of the Delegates for their time, consideration and participation in our grass-roots advocacy program. You are the ones who drive the Granges public outreach. I am looking forward to an active, productive year in promoting Grange policy on behalf of our grass-roots organization.

Respectfully Submitted
Randall Lewis, President
California State Grange

State of the California State Grange

Part II

National Representatives, State Officers, Delegates, Brothers and Sisters:

Welcome to Orangevale Grange Hall, the site of the 2009 Annual Membership Meeting. I believe this is the first time the California State Grange has met in the town of Orangevale and the first time we have met in a Grange hall for many years. In fact, I don't recall meeting in a Grange hall since I joined the organization in 1971. The meetings have either been conducted in Convention Centers, Hotels or Fairgrounds.

It is a pleasure for me to report this afternoon the current condition of the California State Grange. We have labored diligently in the field this year and I want to acknowledge the efforts of all of the Officers, Executive Committee, Directors, Deputy State Masters, the Convention Committee and lastly but surely not least the Volunteers who have all contributed to the success of our wonderful fraternity. Without all of your support we would not have been able to make the advancements we have achieved.

I will be making some very pointed and direct comments this afternoon in my annual address. I understand that I am "speaking to the choir" and I want you to hear what I am saying. My comments are not directed at anyone or any specific Grange but rather in general of our situation. At the same time if the shoe fits wear it. We need to begin moving our organization forward across the board and start doing what needs to be done on a consistent daily basis.

It has been a very challenging year for us all, but we have responded to that challenge with spirit and

enthusiasm. This week YOU are the California State Grange and during this meeting you will be asked to make some difficult and complicated decisions. I ask you to make them for the Good of the Order leaving your personal feelings in the background and think about the Grange as a whole. I am sure we will have some very healthy discussions during our deliberations. When we have finished our work here and return home, I would like for everyone to be family and friends, satisfied that the correct decisions were made for the appropriate reason and for our future.

Unfortunately this year a significant amount of my time was utilized dealing with negative issues caused by dissention in Granges, legal issues, conduct of members and other stressful situations. I have attempted to deal with each issue keeping an open mind and do what was best for our organization as a whole. Brothers and Sisters, we need to continue working to educate and support our membership in the application of Grange Law and our customs and practices. During the 2008 — 2009 membership year we had 1,333 brand new members which equates to 15% of our membership. We need to return to teaching and following Grange Law while practicing the principals of our order. Placing Faith in God, nurturing Hope, dispensing Charity and being noted for Fidelity. Then there has been the challenges we are dealing with due to the current economic and financial condition of our state and nation. I thank the Executive Committee for their strong support over these most difficult of times. They have been a source of strength when it was needed and provided a strong sounding board for me to discuss the issues with.

Web-Site

This year we have made great strides in the effort to make our web-site work for our employees in the state office and for the membership. On July 8th we gained control over the site and for the first time in many years began making changes to increase its usefulness and functionality. Links were put on the home page for the "NoBudget-NoPay" initiative, to the weekly Farm Report, so individuals could donate their "Clunker" to the Grange Foundation and several other useful and interesting issues.

We opened a back door to the web-site and informed every Grange member who had an e-mail address on record with the state office (over 1,000 members). We put all of this year's resolutions there along with the information needed by the committees to perform their work. It included each committee and their contact information, all resolutions for this annual meeting, past Journals of Proceedings, Committee Instructions, State By-Laws and National Digest of Laws, the proposed 2010 Budget and other important information.

Last week we opened the "Members Only" section of the web-site and the first thing we were able to provide to the membership was the ability change their personal contact information including: address, phone number, e-mail address, etc. This will allow us to have updated information without waiting for the quarterly reports to be submitted. Also each Subordinate and Pomona Secretary has the ability to make changes to their respective Grange's membership information. Eventually, this updated information will be downloaded to the master database at the state office every night so we will always have current information. Allowing the members to change their own information and have it downloaded automatically we will save countless hours of employee labor allowing them to be more productive and cost efficient.

Currently under construction in the "Members Only" section is a program that will allow Secretaries to submit their respective Grange's quarterly report and make their per-capita payment online. It should be completed within a couple of months and then we can provide the necessary training. We will also have a Grange store on the site that will allow us to sell Grange items and where members may also offer items for sale. It will operate similar to Craig's List.

Membership

During the year we have been able to provide leadership training to several Pomona and Subordinate Granges in addition to presenting the "Introduction to the Grange" program to revitalize and reorganize Granges. These programs have been well received and I encourage you to utilize us and these programs to assist in your

membership efforts.

At the National Grange Master's Conference last February each State Master was asked to commit to how many Granges in their state their team would organize, reorganize and revitalize, and how many Junior Granges they would start. I committed us to try to organize 5 new Granges, reorganize 10, revitalize 20 and start 10 new Junior Granges.

To date we have not organized any new Granges this year. We have been able to reorganize 3 Granges, revitalize 32 Granges and we have organized 2 new Junior Granges. You, the leaders of our organization and your local members are the ones who have made this possible. I want you know how much I appreciate your hard work.

Thank you to Bob McFarland for your untiring efforts visiting Granges all over California for the past few months. Bob has also done an outstanding job for us in the Membership and Public Relations Departments. To date Bob has visited 83 Granges encouraging their membership to become involved in the communities they serve. He has given them many examples of what steps they can take to increase attendance at meetings and to encourage new members to join. Bob recently reorganized the West Visalia Grange and on September 24th I signed their reorganization application. Way to go Bob.

This year we are happy to announce there were 58 Subordinate Granges who combined had a net membership gain of 503 new members. Additionally, we have reorganized 3 Granges, which resulted in 112 additional new members. The total combined gross new members for this past year joining the organization is 1,333. So you can see the Grange does have programs that are attractive to the public and we are bringing in new members. I want to personally congratulate each of those Granges who have worked hard to bring in new members and get them actively involved in our programs.

Unfortunately, even though we had 1,333 new members join, we were unable to stop the downward trend in total members. We ended this year (June 30th) with 8,828 members or a loss of 288 members. As you can see the downward trend is remaining slow and we are doing some things right. We just need to continue working hard and becoming involved in the communities we serve.

Electronic Membership

During this annual meeting you will have the opportunity to discuss resolution number (09-023) titled "E-Membership." The resolution is designed to make a membership class available to the general public who may have an interest in the advancement of agriculture and improvement of rural life. Membership would be gained by completing the approved on-line form and paying the annual dues for this class of membership. The annual dues for this membership class would be \$10.00, being split between the State and National Grange. The State Grange would receive \$6.50 and the National Grange would receive \$3.50.

It is a low cost membership that will entitle the e-member to all benefits of the organization but not allow them to vote on policy issues or participate in contests sponsored by the National Grange designed for Grange members only. All dues collected for this membership class would be used for member services and/or revitalization of Community Granges.

The resolution also requests the National Grange to convene a Special Meeting this year prior to the 2009 National Grange Convention to allow this membership class, if passed, to begin signing up members this year. I must tell you the resolution was already passed at the Washington and Oregon State Granges sessions, and the National Grange Master and Executive Committee have called for the Special Meeting in November. I can't tell you how excited I am about this new membership class being created for several important reasons. First, I will let you do the math and figure out if we were able to have 100,000 E-Members how much money that would create for us to grow our programs and fix up our Grange halls. Secondly, we will be able to develop a list of these members and invite them to come to local Grange functions in the area where they live

and participate in our programs. This could lead to them becoming Fraternal Members. In areas where we do not currently have local Granges we would have the opportunity to organize Granges.

There are marketing companies who can provide us with one million e-mail addresses for as little as \$200.00 and they allow us to use these addresses for up to one year. Our web-site will be able to do the work and we are currently developing e-mailing pieces with the National Grange to begin inviting individuals to join us. I even found a company who would be willing to pay for the list of names so we will not need to spend any money to gain these members. That Brothers and Sisters is a very exciting win-win situation.

Operations

The first thing I am going to do in this section of my report is to once again thank our outstanding staff, Amy Self, Keri DeGraw, Jay Hartz, Bob McFarland and our volunteer Executive Assistant Linda Lewis for their hard work and dedication to the organization. Our staff has faced many exhausting challenges this year and without their commitment, teamwork and willingness to do whatever it took we would not have been nearly as successful. Thank you all very much.

As I said, this year has been very challenging and required steps to be taken to continue reducing expenses while trying to maintain service to our Granges. In the effort to reduce expense, staff salaries were lowered and the planned pay increases were not given to our employees. We did not fill the Assistant Secretary position in order to further cut our operational expense. Additionally, we attempted to keep all other unnecessary expenses to a minimum. This was a difficult task due to the number of Granges we are managing and other unexpected expenses that we were required to deal with.

Since we did not have staff to adequately address our ongoing workload we were unable to allow our auditor Bruce Sneesby to begin the 2008 audit. It was not in our plan to skip the annual audit of our accounting but was rather a matter of not having the ability to spend the time completing all of the things they would ask us to perform. Boden, Kline and Sneesby in their letter of audit proposal indicated the maximum cost of their audit and year end income tax preparation for 2008 would not exceed \$15,000.00. This is an expense we do not currently have the ability to absorb due to our financial status. By eliminating the annual audit we will be able to retain a large portion of that expense for cash flow and other immediate expenses. The auditor filed an income tax extension for us and is planning to complete preparation of our 2008 tax statement by the November deadline.

I ask the Delegate Body to allow us to begin having a biannual audit of the California State Grange accounting in order to reduce our expenses going forward. The 2 year audit would be reported to the Delegate Body on even numbered years for their inspection beginning October, 2010. By allowing this we would save staff time and workload in addition to the cost of the audit. Our current bookkeeping system and separation of duties should allow us to do this without compromising security. The Executive Committee and Budget Committee could provide oversight and recommendations as needed during the off audit years and we would continue to disclose the financials to the Delegates during the budget process annually. I spoke to Bruce Sneesby about this possibility and he indicated as long as we had our accounting up to date it should not be a problem for him and we could realize a substantial reduction in our audit expenses.

NoBudget-NoPay

Following our annual membership meeting last year we moved forward publicizing the proposed initiative in the Grange News, through Press Releases, we did several TV News and Talk Radio spots in addition to the press we received in several newspapers. The NoBudget-NoPay web-site was developed and we sent the link for it to many sources and received donations from individuals on the site. The reaction from the public was very positive and we felt we would be able to move forward quickly. Donations began to come in and they were placed into the George Dupray Legislative Account and we were able to adhere to our "pay as you go" philosophy. We did not spend any California State Grange money developing the site or performing any of the

work that was done on behalf of the NoBudget-NoPay initiative. All of the expenses were paid out of the donations we received.

We met with several individuals who were involved in the "Initiative Industry" who could assist us in advancing the initiative. We also met and discussed the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) requirements with a Sacramento attorney who specializes in this area of practice. We thought we would use him to run the initiative committee and make the required filings with the FPPC. In order to file the initiative with the Attorney General and get us through the first 3 months of reporting we determined it would cost approximately \$10,000.00. Well we are still waiting to collect that much money so we can move forward and start having our Community Granges collect signatures.

We have paid for the web-site through October 2010 and now have approximately \$3,360.00 left in the fund. I would like for the Delegates at this annual meeting to determine if we should continue as we have been or stop the process. We need for you to tell us what your feelings are and if you want to continue moving forward with this initiative or not.

Organizational Litigation

As you all know the National Grange has been forced to protect the Grange name against unauthorized use by many business entities this past year. They successfully kept Tyson Foods, Inc. from using the Grange name in one of their products, and there are dozens of other corporations who are using the name illegally right now. I believe we must protect our name in addition to protecting National Grange Law and our own California State Grange By-Laws.

During the 1980's Master David Austin said something to the effect that "We are ripe for picking" meaning we were subject to losing our properties and heritage to outsiders due to not following the rules of our organization and Grange Law. Then in the 1990's Master Bob Clouse said something like "No outsider will ever be able to destroy the Grange, it could only come from within."

Well Brothers and Sisters, we needed to pay close attention to their words back then, and now look around at what has happened to us over the last few years. In 2006 a successful Community Grange decided to "donate" the Grange's hall to a local community organization the members of the Grange had recently formed, for the purpose to passing the hall title from the Grange to the local organization in violation of Grange Law. In other words, the members of the Grange were attempting to take the property away from the very organization that got them started and supported them over the years.

These actions were taken and sanctioned by the officers and members of that Grange. When I found out about it, the Executive Committee and I took immediate action to remedy the situation. Fortunately, the members of the Grange were not well entrenched in their position and they were willing to change the name on the property title back to their local Grange. After conducting a meeting with all of their members who cared to attend, I was satisfied they would continue playing a positive role in their community and ended their suspension and returned their Charter. Since that time they have proved to me through their actions that we made the correct decision.

Now we fast forward to Vista Grange and look at what transpired in this situation. The officers and some members of the Vista Grange apparently wanted to sell the Vista Grange's hall and use the proceeds for non-Grange purposes. Although the Vista Grange requested the approval of the Executive Committee, as required by Grange Law to sell the hall, not enough information was provided to the Executive Committee to make a decision and approval for the sale was not given. Nevertheless, during the interim the Vista Grange listed the hall for sale and entered into a binding contract for sale. When we found out that the closing of a sale was imminent, Master Tom Stefenoni asked our attorney to issue a "cease and desist" order to stop the sale. The Vista Grange then encumbered the hall with a 5-year lease to a marshal arts school, again

without requesting or receiving the approval of the Executive Committee; when I learned of the lease and requested a copy, the Vista Grange refused to provide it. (I have since learned that the lease is a standard commercial lease which gives full possession of the hall to the tenant and makes no provision for the Vista Grange to conduct Grange activities at the hall during the term of the lease.) In light of these actions, I suspended the Charter of the Vista Grange and requested that the Vista Grange permit an audit of its operations and records to ensure that it was operating consistently with Grange Law and the purposes of the Order; Vista Grange refused to cooperate with the requested audit.

Before taking further action, I asked the National Master for a ruling under Grange Law whether under such circumstances the Master of a State Grange had the authority to audit the activities of a Subordinate Grange. In his formal ruling the National Master said that yes indeed a State Master does have the right to request an audit in order to determine if a Grange is working within the laws of the Order. I again requested that the Vista Grange set a date to conduct an audit; I informed the Vista Grange that, as suggested by the National Master, the California State Grange had arranged for the audit to be conducted by qualified representatives of other State Granges to ensure the impartiality of the audit. Once again, the Vista Grange refused to cooperate with the audit. Faced with repeated evidence that the Vista Grange was operating outside of Grange Law and contrary to the purposes of the Order, I revoked the Charter of the Vista Grange and requested that it wind up its affairs and turn over its property to the State Grange, as required by Grange Law. Then, and only then, did representatives of the Vista Grange inform the State Grange that it had allegedly modified its corporate records to disaffiliate from the Order, changed its name to Agricultural Association of Vista and transfer title of the Grange hall to that entity. In response, the California State Grange Executive Committee authorized a lawsuit to regain what is rightfully the property of the Order.

Brothers and Sisters, we have no choice but to attempt through the court system to regain what is rightfully the property of the Order. Each member when they join the Grange pledges their oath to "faithfully comply with the laws of my state and nation, the constitution, rules and regulations of the Grange, at all levels..." and during the installation of Officers each newly elected Officer pledges "I will support the Constitution and By-Laws of the National Grange, and of this State Grange and the By-Laws of this Grange, and I will inculcate a strict obedience to all laws and edicts emanating from the proper authority."

The officers and members of the Vista Grange, through their actions noted above, have violated these pledges, and if allowed to proceed uncontested, represent a threat to the very existence of the Order. While the members of the Vista Grange are free to leave the Order, they are not free to take with them property accumulated over the years through the hard work of our predecessor in the Grange movement. If the members of the Vista Grange succeed in doing so, the members of any local Grange could leave the Order and take the Grange property for their personal agendas. Soon there would be no Order (or name) to worry about protecting.

The bulk of our troubles today emanate from some members failure to follow the rules of the Order. Obviously it is possible -- even likely -- for members to have different interpretations of Grange Law, and there are procedures in place to obtain rulings from the State Master and National Master on the interpretation of Grange Law. The actions of the Vista Grange are not the result of innocent misunderstandings or legitimate disagreements regarding Grange Law. The actions of the Vista Grange represent wholesale violations of the rules and the spirit of Grange Law, and, indeed, represent a complete and unequivocal repudiation of the purposes of the Order, apparently in order to further the personal agendas of the members of the Vista Grange. We as officers and delegates are bound by our pledge to further the purposes of the Order and support and follow Grange Law. In other words, it is my opinion that we have no choice but to continue moving forward with the lawsuit against the Vista Grange and we must see it through to completion. Anything short of that is a violation of our pledge to support the purposes of the Order and follow Grange Law.

Reuniting the Grange

Some of the challenges I will discuss in this section of my report may not be applicable to your Grange because you have overcome them. If that is the case I want to congratulate you on a job well done. For others, these difficulties continue to cause problems and it is those of you I especially want to help. We do have some of these same challenges at the state level and it fragments our membership, lowers participation in our programs and creates lack of trust in our leaders.

For the last couple of years as I have traveled around the state visiting Granges or in telephone conversations with many of you I have been able to see a few of the things causing our organizational challenges. One problem I am talking about creates arguments in our meetings, dissatisfaction with our leaders and causes many of our new members to leave the organization. What is the problem I am talking about? It is a lack of unity fueled by different visions for the organization that are not communicated adequately.

In many cases we are creating conflict within our organization over issues that are really not that important. Previously I have used the example of a Grange making a decision on what color curtains to install in their Grange Hall. One person wants to put green curtains and the other wants to put brown ones. They both have strong reasons for the color they have selected and feel they are right. During the deliberation at the Grange meeting they become agitated and then the lines are drawn in the sand. Once a decision is made by the members to put brown curtains in the hall the member who wanted green curtains is angry because they know they were right but did not prevail. From then on these two members don't like each other and every time an issue comes up they argue. After a time other members become entrapped in the fight and the next thing you know we have an explosion in that Grange.

We need to address this issue and one of the ways to do that is for each Community and Pomona Grange to create a vision statement and a mission statement. Then build your goals and objectives around the vision and mission statements. The items to include in this process should be your Community Service plans, Membership Development, Grange Hall improvements and/or anything you and your members want to include. Each member needs to participate in the planning meeting and express their thoughts. Hopefully, when the process is completed all members can agree on a direction for your Grange in the various areas in your plan and will participate in the programs.

As I said earlier, I feel we are having the same kind of difficulty at the state Grange level, possibly due to the very kind of situation I have just described. You all have heard the saying "United we stand, divided we fall." We need to evaluate and communicate why we are not united. Why are we having participation problems? Are we just too busy to be able to participate at the state level or is it complacency? During the past 12 years we have had 5 different State Grange Masters. With that many changes in leadership it tells me that the Masters were not doing what the membership wanted. We need to solve this issue so the organization can move forward. I believe all of the past 5 Masters were good Grangers and came from a professional background that provided them with the skill levels necessary to manage our business properly. Why did they fail after only 2 years? Was it poor communication? Was it politically motivated by a group of individuals who did not get their way?

I don't know the answer to those questions but I want to encourage our Delegates to state your position openly and honestly during the meeting. We need to communicate clearly and listen respectfully to others keeping an open mind with the presumption that everyone is acting in good faith for the betterment of the Grange. Should the debate turn personal or unproductive I will advise you of that, because as Master I have an obligation to do so.

This past year some of the employees were dissatisfied with the way the office was running and asked to meet with the Executive Committee to air their concerns. I wish they would have approached me first but perhaps they felt they could not. My message to those persons and all of you is that I am always willing to listen to and work with anyone who honestly and in good faith wants to work for the betterment of the Grange. Let us all

commit together to eliminating hidden agendas and secret efforts to pursue them, and work together in the open so we can move forward as a UNITED organization.

Financial Outlook

This past year the Executive Committee and I worked together to curb unnecessary expenses and at the same time recognized we had certain obligations to move the organization forward. I have already discussed several areas where we made changes. Looking into the future it appears we may not lease our buildings for another year or so. I had the opportunity to talk to one of the UC Davis Doctors who works in the 2103 Stockton building and he indicated they had 4 grant proposals into the government and were just waiting for them to be given. He indicated they would more than likely do something with us but did not know when. That is the same thing I have been told by Ken Waller the leasing person from UC Davis. CB Richard Ellis is trying to find tenants for us but the market has so many commercial properties listed that it is not a very promising outlook for several months. We will just have to wait and see

We are currently dependent on the Marketing Services Agreement between Grange Insurance Association and the National Grange. That contribution has been reduced for 2010 by \$50,000 and will be \$900,000 or \$225,000 per quarter. So we need to continue watching where we spend our money but the real answer is to develop additional streams of revenue. As I have been saying we desperately need to start increasing our membership. One very bright spot is the E-Membership being considered by the National Grange. That is a very real possibility for us to expand while reaping the benefits.

There is an old folktale about King Solomon who decided to humble his most trusted minister. Solomon said to him, "Benaiah, there is a certain ring that I want you to bring to me. I wish to wear it for the upcoming holiday which gives you six months to find it." "If it exists anywhere on earth, your majesty," replied Benaiah, "I will find it and bring it to you, but what makes the ring so special?"

"It has magic powers," answered the king. "If a happy man looks at it, he becomes sad, and if a sad man looks at it, he becomes happy." Solomon knew that no such ring existed in the world, but he wished to give his minister a little taste of humility. Spring passed and then summer, and still Benaiah had no idea where he could find the ring. On the night before holiday, he decided to take a walk in one of the poorest quarters of Jerusalem. He passed by a merchant who had begun to set out the day's wares on a shabby carpet. "Have you by any chance heard of a magic ring that makes the happy wearer forget his joy and the broken-hearted wearer forget his sorrows?" asked Benaiah. He watched the grandfather take a plain gold ring from his carpet and engrave something on it. When Benaiah read the words on the ring, his face broke out in a wide smile.

That night the entire city welcomed in the holiday of Sukkot with great festivity. "Well, my friend," said Solomon, "have you found what I sent you after?" All the ministers laughed and Solomon himself smiled. To everyone's surprise, Benaiah held up a small gold ring and declared, "Here it is, your majesty!" As soon as Solomon read the inscription, the smile vanished from his face. The jeweler had written three Hebrew letters on the gold band which when translated meant -- "This too shall pass." So I say to you we will need to be careful how and where we spend our money during this economic downturn but -- "This too shall pass."

Linda and I have been delighted to serve you for the past 3 years and are as committed to the organization's success now as we were when we started. I thank you for the opportunity you have given us and look forward to working with you in the future. May God bless you and may God bless the Grange.

*Fraternally Submitted,
Randall A. Lewis, Master*

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Worthy National Master, State Master, Officers, Directors and Brothers & Sisters;

I have been honored to serve as your California State Grange Secretary for the past two terms. I have enjoyed the challenge of keeping up with the debate on resolutions and appreciated the chuckles when I would slip in a bit humor to lighten our load. While I may have misspelled a name or two in the minutes, I knew that you would catch it and let me know. It is my hope that, as instructed during the Secretary's charge in the Installation, my minutes will provide a continuing history of our Grange.

As you know the position of State Secretary has been evolving through the years. This is no longer a full time job, with the Secretary living in the Sacramento. The staff of the California State Grange maintains the day to day operations of the office of the Secretary along with the other business of the Grange. As such, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our office staff for their dedication and efforts through the past 4 years. It is my hope that they will live up to the high standards that we, as Grange members, expect of them.

I wish to thank Worthy Master Randall Lewis for his faith in me as we navigated the choppy waters of rebuilding the Grange. I also would like to thank Brother Robert Clouse for asking me to serve this past year as Secretary for the Executive Committee.

Brothers and Sisters it is to you that I give most heartfelt thanks. You have offered me wise counsel, support, encouragement and patience. Now, as I move on to another stage in my service to our Grange I look forward to again being on the floor and able to work resolutions with the rest of you.

To Sister Kalie Benson I promise the same support that was extended to me by the prior State Secretaries. I will be there when you need me, and I am only an email away.

Again, I thank you for these years of memories,

*Fraternally,
Katie Squire*

TREASURER'S REPORT

Worthy State Master and California State Grangers:

It has been a trying year due to the economy and unforeseen events affecting our State Grange. When times get tough we need to tighten our belts and support our Granges.

There have been some very good things happening also. The new State Office and the web site. Being able to view the resolutions on the web is amazing. New Granges have been organized and old ones revised. This is a good thing.

I urge the members to consider a dues increase. If you compare our organization with any other fraternal organization or clubs you will see our dues are much lower. The State Grange sends most of the dues on to the National Grange leaving little to support our State Organization. We also need to find new and alternate ways to support our State Grange. It is a wonderful organization helping communities throughout the Nation.

Let's grow and prosper. Invite your neighbors, friends, and family to join. A Growing membership is a wonderful way to increase of income.

I would like to thank State Master Randall and Linda Lewis for their dedicated work, and the office staff and fellow officers for their support.

It has been a pleasure to server the CSG as your Treasurer.

***Fraternally,
Marian Nichols***

Section III

Executive Committee Minutes

**CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Sunday October 19, 2008**

Chairman Tom Sawyer called the meeting of the California State Grange Executive Committee to order at 10:36AM. Members in attendance were Inger Bevans, Bruce Brunell, Bob Clouse, Randy Lewis, Bob McFarland, H. Tom Sawyer, Johnny Squire, and Martha Stefenoni. Bob Clouse was elected as Chairnan of the Committee. Tom Sawyer was thanked for his service to the Executive Committee. Tom said farewell and departed the meeting at 10:43AM. Bruce Brunell was selected to serve as Vice Chainman of the Committee. Inger Bevans departed at 10:56 AM in order to get Flora, Morgana Bevans, back to the airport.

Secretary Katie Squire, presented the minutes of the final day, Oct. 18,2008, ofthe 136th Annual Session of the California State Grange. **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell, seconded by Randy Lewis that we approve the minutes of the final day, Oct. 18, 2008 Annual Session of the California State Grange as corrected: *VOTES: Ayes - Brunell, Lewis, McFarland, Squire, Stefenoni.*

Chairman Clouse asked for a recap of convention. Linda Lewis joined the meeting at this time. Each Executive Committee member was asked to recap their convention. We discussed the cost of convention. We discussed the large group that won the Talent Contest. Rich Saxe and Jan Saxton had been collecting funds to help defray the cost the Talent Contest winner to compete at National Grange in Connecticut. **MOVED** by Johnny Squire, seconded by Bob McFarland that we allow up to \$1500.00 toward the expenses of our Talent Competition winners to compete in the National Grange competition if they are able to attend. *VOTES: Ayes - Brunell, Lewis, McFarland, Squire, Stefenoni.*

Future Dates: Legislative Chaiennen's Meeting - Dec. 12 - 13,2008
Officers & Directors Meeting - Jan. 10 - 11, 2009
Deputies Meeting - Jan. 24 - 25, 2009
Executive Committee Meeting - Jan. 9, 2009 - 8AM

Chairman, Bob Clouse informed the committee as to how he plans to runs the meetings so that we can be prepared for the meeting. **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell, seconded by Johnny Squire that the minutes of the Oct. 19, 2008 meeting be approved as read. *VOTES: Ayes - Brunell, Lewis, McFarland, Squire, Stefenoni.*

**CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Friday, January 9, 2009
Sacramento, CA**

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange was called to order at 7 8:05 AM by Chairman Robert Clouse. The Flag salute was led by Master Randall Lewis, followed by a brief opening prayer. The roll was taken and Overseer Martha Stefenoni was noted as absent, she sent an email informing the committee as to her inability to attend due to lambing. Present: Randall Lewis, Master; Ex. Committee Robert Clouse, Bob McFarland, Bruce Brunell, Inger Bevans, Johnny Squire, also in attendance, State Secretary, Katie Squire.

It was noted that the minutes of the previous meeting were not available at this time. Sister Squire was asked to take the minutes for the meeting.

Master's Report: Randall Lewis reported on the activities at the National Grange Session this past November in Connecticut. National Master Ed Luttrell did a good job handling the work of the Grange during the meeting. One important action is that the National Grange will be assessing each State Grange \$1 per member to cover the expenses of the National Grange Convention. He did speak against this resolution, but unfortunately it was passed by the Delegates. The State Executive Committee needs to address how this matter is to be handled and the effects on the California State Grange.

There is a change in the By-Laws of the National Grange defining when the charter of a State Grange may be suspended or revoked. Master Lewis spoke against this change, but it was also passed. Some additional clean up language was presented that clarified Golden Sheaf membership. Due to insurance concerns the Junior Grange organization process was discussed. A clarification for the sale of property and the sale of real property was handled as well during the session.

The National Grange will hold the 2009 State Master's Conference in Arkansas in the middle of February. The location was selected due to the proximity to the Tyson Corp. It is hoped that the group may be able to influence Tyson regarding their marketing plan.

Nearly all of the resolutions that were carried by the California State Grange to the National Grange were passed or included in policy statements.

West Visalia property - the church that made the offer on the property has withdrawn their offer. Jim Olivias, who is the agent handling this property, suggested that we consider dropping the price to \$300,000 due to conditions in the real estate market in the Visalia area. The committee discussed lowering the price and what price is the lowest that they will go. **MOVED** by Randall Lewis and seconded by Bob McFarland to lower the listing price for the West Visalia Property to \$350,000. *Motion carried unanimously.*

It was decided at the time of the move to not continue utilizing Crossroads for janitorial services for the California State Grange offices. They still cover the UC Davis facilities as well as other locations within the triangle and service the landscaping. The janitorial needs for the CSG Office are being handled in-house at this time.

Dows Prairie Grange has submitted a new request for a Grange Hall loan; they would like to re-negotiate their current loan.

The paperwork for Meadow Vista Grange has been processed and a check has been cut. For Clarification, the Executive Committee approved Meadow Vista's application for a Grange Hall loan amounting to \$17,000 for hall improvements. This action was approved at the September meeting of the Executive Committee. Further discussion was undertaken regarding the Grange Hall loan fund and how it operates.

Amy Self, Office Manager, entered the meeting at 9: 18 AM. Sister Self apologized that the paperwork is lacking. Currently the copy machine is not working properly.

Accounting

Bellevue Grange is asking for a release of funds from their Asset Management fund to cover monies that they expended helping Sebastopol Grange. Sister Self is awaiting a copy of the minutes from the Grange; all other paperwork has been received. It was noted that the release of funds had been approved pending receipt of documentation.

Sister Self reported that the financial paperwork is not complete at this time. There is so much going on at this time that is taking her time away from the accounting. At this point she needs a month, full time and uninterrupted, in order to get the paperwork in good order.

Property Management was discussed. There is a need to address problems in the process as it is affecting the Accounting department as well as the Granges. A procedure for Granges that are in transition like while being reorganized, needs to be developed so that any Accounts Receivable from Granges can possibly be moved into Notes Receivable.

Robert Clouse appointed a Fund Recovery Committee to develop a policy for recovering these funds from Granges. Chairman Inger Bevans, Bob McFarland, and Johnny Squire are to work with Amy Self and Master Lewis on this matter, a report to be given at the next meeting.

The Bridge Loan from Prunedale Grange was discussed, as well as the money still payable for past due interest.

Clarification is needed regarding the funds that came in as donations for the membership development talent show. The money has been credited to the Membership Account. It was pointed out there is still quite a bit of money that is over 180 days past due, from individuals, businesses and Granges. These are influential in the amount of Accounts Receivable. .

GIA WIN-WIN Committee: Master Lewis provided some background information regarding this committee; it was organized during the term of Bill Steele, but never really met. It has recently been reactivated by National Master Ed Luttrell, with a new group of people. They are meeting and had a Team Speak meeting this past week. Randy participated in the meeting; Bob McFarland was the only other person from California. The contract has been signed through 2010.

No Budget - No Pay: Amy reported that a new accounting department, the Dupray Legislative Account, has been opened within the California State Grange. This will allow us to track the expenses and income for this activity.

Convention: This past year we did not make the required number of room nights, but the hotel did not charge the adjusted fees for the use of the facilities. The costs are less than normal as there were surplus materials left from prior years that were used this year. The surplus has been brought down and it will not be available in the future.

Public: Relations: With the creation of this department some items, like Ag Day, were moved within the budget to Public Relations for correct accounting.

Rental Properties: Repair and maintenance has gone up, especially for the GBO building. Amy was directed to keep expenses for 2101 and 2103 separate unless a single renter is found for both units. Amy indicated that there may be a possibility of rental if UC Davis Medical Center gets an additional grant.

Sister Self departed the meeting at 11:15 AM.

Grange Trial: Charges have been filed against Ron Trombley and a trial court is being established. The Executive Committee voted to remove him from the office of CSG Chaplain and Master Lewis notified him of this action. The Worthy Master outlined the procedures and the projected costs involved. Thomas Nickens will be present to assist with the procedures of the Trial Court. In addition we will have an attorney, Mike Bishop, present to represent the interests of the California State Grange as an employer. It was **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell and seconded by Bob McFarland that the Master's appointment of Barbara Geiger as interim Chaplain be approved. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Grange Rehab Committee: Dale Baker, Howard Sihner and Jonnie Sihner joined the committee at 11 :30 AM. Brother Clouse gave some background information about the committee. El Camino Grange was

discussed. Brother Sihner described EI Camino Grange and the challenges that are faced. It is placed on a one acre lot. It has a partial attic and a partial basement. The basement floods at times, and the hall is situated below the grade of the road. The hall is in need of repairs and paint. It has P.G.E. electrical service, a well and a septic system that may be less than adequate. A propane tank provided fuel for the heater; the tank is no longer there. According to uncollaborated evidence Kathy Parra, leader of Independent Junior Grange, was able to get use of the hall in 2003 for the Junior Grange. She then sublet the hall to a business. The property is now zoned residential, while the Grange was grandfathered in. The business owners then modified the hall, using crude carpentry, to incorporate living quarters into the layout. There is insurance on the hall and the taxes are current. These have been paid by Kathy Parra. There has been a group of Junior Grange age young people meeting for craft projects twice a week, every two weeks. There is an odor of mold/mildew in one room that is being used for storage. There are leaks in the roof and problems with access. In 2006 Kathy Parra paid \$5000 for the repair of the roof. Several vehicles are one the property. The current handwritten lease is \$200 per month plus improvements of \$300 each month, payable to Independent Junior Grange. Recommendation of the committee: The hall is not currently suitable for meetings and public events. A current appraisal needs to be obtained. The insurance carrier and tax collector have been notified that the California State Grange is to be billed for these. The current tenants are interested in buying the property.

The committee broke briefly for lunch. The meeting continued during lunch.

Elk Grove Grange: Howard Sihner presented a new lease agreement for the use of Elk Grove Grange Hall by the mortuary next door. The number of hours available for Grange to use the hall has been increased to 24 hours per month and the lease will be reviewed annually as well as every 5 years when the lease is up for renewal.

Fowler Grange: Robert Clouse discussed how the city of Fowler is expressing interest in leasing the Fowler Grange Hall for meetings of the city as well as other organizations with the community.

Delhi Grange: On the return trip from Fowler the group stopped at Delhi Grange. Additional vandalism has occurred to the hall. An appraiser has been sought to determine the value of the property. The minister of the Pentecostal Church has offered \$65,000 for the property As Is.

Recommendation: consider the offer and carry the paper for the loan, with a payment that is reasonable for the church to make the payments, and as mortgagee have the California State Grange listed as an additional insured on the insurance. **It was MOVED** by Bruce Brunell and seconded by Bob McFarland that the Pentecostal Church be asked for \$2000 down, title costs be split, total for the property of \$65,000 at 6% and no prepayment penalties for the purchase of Delhi Grange Hall. *Motion carried unannnously.*

Vista Grange: Vista Grange was discussed by the committee. Bob McFarland expressed opposition to unlimited spending toward attorney fees in the legal action regarding Vista Grange Hall. It appears that additional costs will be incurred to bring this to its conclusion. The committee expressed concerns as the costs for this are not in the budget. Any additional expenses must be discussed by the Executive Committee prior to disbursement. It was noted that the legal fees for Vista Grange have been carried on the books as an Account Receivable and this issue will be addressed.

The Committee moved into executive session at 2:02 PM for the discussion of personnel matters.

The meeting reconvened at 4:37 PM.

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Bruce Brunell that the lease agreement for Elk Grove Grange be approved. *Motion carried unanimously.*

It was **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell and seconded by Bob McFarland that the Grange Rehab Committee will function under the direction of the Master. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Master's Compensation: This past year the full amount for the taxes on the housing allowance was deducted at the end of the year. The deduction was made in accordance with IRS laws. The Master requested that he be reimbursed for the difference in the taxes owed and what he paid. Inger will work with the accounting department to remedy the situation.

It was **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell and seconded by Bob McFarland to accept the request for release of Asset Allocation Funds for \$9721.95 from Bellevue Grange. *Motion carried unanimously.*

People for the US and Greenhorn Granges are working toward merging their membership.

Community Service – Membership -I Public Relations: Master Lewis has asked Jan Saxton and Rich Saxe to head up the Community Service Department. Their membership work has opened up our halls and brought in new members. He has also asked Bob McFarland to serve as the Membership Director. Bob spoke briefly about his ideas and asked to present at the officers and directors meeting.

It was **MOVED** by Inger Bevans and seconded by Bruce Brunell that the Dow's Prairie Grange Hall Loan be refinanced at 5% for 5 years. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Associate Membership: The Master would like to set up a "Friend of the Grange" classification within the Associate Membership class. This would provide Grange benefits, but not provide a vote within the Grange. They will fill out an application online, as a membership class the National Grange will receive \$10. As the committee discussed the matter further several ideas were broached. It was suggested that more thought be given and additional discussion take place at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: March 14 & 15, beginning at 8:00 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Executive Committee

March 14 - 15, 2009
Sacramento, CA

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Robert Clouse. The Flag salute was led by Inger Bevans, followed by a brief opening prayer. The roll was taken; Brother Bruce Brunell was not present due to the illness of his wife. Present: Randall Lewis, Master; Martha Stefenoni, Overseer; Ex. Committee Robert Clouse, Bob McFarland, Inger Bevans, Johnny Squire. Also in attendance, State Secretary Katie Squire and Shirley Baker. The agenda was reviewed and approved; some things will be time certain due to scheduling.

MASTERS REPORT

Master Randall Lewis began his report for the past two months.

Grange Name: Tyson Foods has withdrawn their filing to use the Grange Name, but it has been a costly battle for the National Grange. Donations received from throughout the nation have helped to defray the costs, but have not fully covered the expenses. There are several other businesses that are still infringing on the use of the Grange name.

Legislative: Leroy Watson, Legislative Director for the National Grange will be coming to visit on March 23, a dinner is planned for that evening and he will be present for Ag Day on March 24. Our cost will only be for the room.

Grange Complex Rentals: University of California Davis will be exercising the 1 year extension of the lease of 2103 Stockton Blvd. Master Lewis is looking toward talking to the University to determine if there is a unit that would need the whole building. The Credit Union has merged with Big Valley Credit Union and is moving out April 1st. The old office, 2101 Stockton, has not been completely cleared out, nor has it been shown in the past 6 months. The upstairs of the GBO building was shown, but is apparently larger than the client needed. Parking was also discussed. A lead for renting the Soquel Training Room for evenings and weekends is being investigated.

Property: A copy of the affidavit that has been filed by the Pennsylvania State Grange on all Grange properties was presented to the committee.

Vista Grange: Action has been taken to change the name of corporation to the Agricultural Association of Vista, and in effect removing it from the jurisdiction of the State and National Grange. The ramifications of this action, options and responses were discussed by the committee.

The committee was joined by State Treasurer Marian Nichols and Bookkeeper Amy Self at 8:50 AM.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Amy Self presented the draft for the 2008 annual and the year up to March 31, 2009. The actions requested at the previous meeting have been taken care of during the past 2 months. Asset Management funds are being managed so that they have the best interest rate available as the funds come out of certificates and are reinvested. The liquid funds are being held at a low minimum in order to have the maximum interest.

Amy has been in contact with the auditor to arrange for additional help to prepare for the audit. She has two prospects for part time assistance between now and the May audit.

The un-audited report for 2008 was reviewed. All income and expenses have been posted and all invoices have been posted. Dues receivable from Granges that have not been received are posted by as Accounts Receivable and have been invoiced. Corrections were made to account names and noted. Clarifications for expenses were given for a range of line items.

A discussion of budgets for Membership Development & Public Relation and Community Service as well as how it will be accounted for was conducted. It was **MOVED** by Randall Lewis and seconded by Inger Bevans that the Membership Development Talent Contest, under the direction of the Community Service Directors, be funded through Department 100 Membership Development. *Aye: Lewis, Stefenoni, Bevans, Clouse, McFarland; Nay: none; Abstention: Squire.*

MOVED by Martha Stefenoni and Bob McFarland that the Master, in cooperation with the Membership Development & Public Relations Director, inform the Community Service Directors that a complete rules and budget for the Membership Development Talent Contest be presented to them as soon as possible for approval at the next CSG Executive Committee meeting or there will not be a Statewide Membership Development Talent Contest at the 2009 Annual Membership meeting in October. Motion carried unanimously. Transfers for funding from "GBO" funds are to be made for Membership Development and Deputies as approved and allocated by the delegate body.

MOVED by Martha Stefenoni and seconded that Bob McFarland that until the Family Health Services Department is re-established that the funds allocated be transferred to Membership Development & Public Relations. *Motion carried unanimously.*

The Youth Department accounting for 2008 was reviewed in light of the activities of combined of the Youth, Junior and Youth Fair programs. Legislative Activities and the newly created Dupray Legislative Account were examined.

Expenses and Income for the 2008 Convention were scrutinized. Sister Lewis joined the committee briefly. The number of room nights which had been lowered to 350 was not met, it was fortunate that the hotel did not charge an additional \$8,000 for the use of the facilities. Lodging is the largest expense for the convention.

The committee was appraised as to the income and expenses for the Grange News. It was pointed out that the postage cost should be increasing. Public Relations for 2008 were viewed as a good investment. Ag Day expenses will remain as allocated.

California Grange Foundation President, Houghton Sawyer joined the committee at 11:35 AM.

The 2009 Proposed Budget was studied. Sister Self pointed out some problems and concerns that may need to be addressed. Postage and printing of the Grange News were under funded. There are unbudgeted expenses for legal, the continued problems with rentals, increases in postage and higher than expected repairs for the computers. Cash flow is a major concern and must be addressed for the foreseeable future. Sister Amy departed the meeting at 11:40 AM.

The committee returned to the Master's Report.

Storage Expense: There are two storage bins that include the contents of Wisteria Hall before the remodel. Bob McFarland and Shirley Baker will help liquidate the contents.

Grange Family Health Services: This department has been terminated at this time. The past director was maintaining a website as well as sending out an email newsletter.

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Martha Stefenoni that the Master be directed to have the Grange Family Health Services website taken down. *Aye: Lewis, Stefenoni, Bevans, Clouse, Squire; Opposed: Bob McFarland.*

California Grange News: The Worthy Master has appointed Bob McFarland as Managing Editor of the California Grange News. Jay Hartz continues as Editor. Brother McFarland spoke about the changes that will be seen in the future. This coming issue will be a transition and it is hoped that the June issue will be closer to a tabloid format with more issues. A hard copy needs to continue to be available as well as an electronic version. Advertising revenues need to be increased, to cover the expenses. Advertising invoicing will be brought up to date.

Howard and Johnnie Sihner joined the meeting at 11:55 AM. The members broke briefly for a working lunch.

El Camino Grange Hall: Howard Sihner offered information from the Grange Property Committee. He offered a valuation by Chuck Griffen who worked with the CSG in a prior property transaction. The monthly insurance payment is currently due. Howard Sihner was authorized to act for the California State Grange to contact the tenants, indicating that the building is available for sale "As Is" for \$40,000. The response is to be received back within 21 days. Once earnest money is received escrow will begin.

The Sihner's departed to meeting for another meeting.

The meeting was set at ease at 1:04 PM for the meeting of the California Grange Foundation.

The meeting was called to order at 2:37 PM.

MEETINGS OF GRANGES

El Camino Grange: It was **MOVED** by Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Johnny Squire to reorganize El Camino Grange under the direction of the California State Grange. *Motion carried unanimously.* The Master of the California State Grange will file the appropriate paperwork for the reorganization. Randall Lewis will serve as President and Amy Self will serve as Secretary of El Camino Grange. Once the corporation is reestablished the officers will move forward with the sale of property as authorized by the California State Grange Executive Committee.

Davis Creek: Master Randall Lewis opened the meeting of Davis Creek Grange at 2:45 PM. Shirley Baker presented information about prior activity of the Grange. There are continuing questions regarding the Title of the Davis Creek property dating to before 2007. It is being used by the Community Fire Association. A property profile will be run and all property taxes are being handled through the State Grange office. The meeting was closed at 2:55 PM.

Sister Baker provided additional information about the workings of the Grange Property Committee.

West Visalia Grange: The meeting was called to order at 2:57 PM. Master Lewis authorized the expense of cleaning the property. Apparently there was additional trash on the property after the trailer and other items were removed. The property has been cleaned off. The agent has been notified. Meeting closed.

Fair Valley Grange: The meeting was called to order. The Secretary of State has dissolved the corporation and the property should be coming directly to the California State Grange. It was **MOVED** by Bob Clouse and seconded by Bob McFarland that the CSG Master has a property profile run to confirm that the title is correct. *Motion carried.* It is leased to a church and has positive cash flow. Meeting closed.

Biggs Grange: The meeting was called to order. Bob McFarland reported that Shari Bunker has been speaking to people in the area and that there is interest in re-organization. Meeting closed.

Lucerne Valley Grange: Meeting was called to order. Inger Bevans indicated that this Grange had been dissolved. In November an inquiry was made from the renter regarding the heating system on the hall. We have not heard anything as of this date. The expenses charged for repair of the cooling system have been paid back. Moved and seconded that the Master have a Property Profile run on Lucerne Valley Grange Hall. Meeting closed.

Fowler Grange: A meeting of Fowler Grange was opened. Bob Clouse reported that he had been in contact with the City Manager in Fowler. They were going to have the Building Department look at the hall so that a lease could be prepared. He can see the hall from his office and recently called the police when there were suspicious individuals in the area. A Boy Scout troop is maintaining the property at \$50 per month. There is money available to cover the expenses that have accrued to Fowler Grange. Unclaimed Funds for Fowler Grange have also reverted to the State of California. We were contacted in April 2008 by the Controllers Office regarding these funds. The meeting was closed.

Eastlake Grange: The meeting was called to order. Bob McFarland reported that he had visited and taken pictures of the hall. The property is in good condition and nicely landscaped. Bob McFarland presented an idea regarding establishing a farmers market. Bob Clouse has set aside the weekend of April 4-5, to make a trip to the area and work with the local granges toward reorganization of East Lake Grange. The neighboring school would like to use the hall for a Kindergarten graduation. The fee for the use of East Lake Grange was established at \$100. Meeting adjourned.

Shirley Baker departed the meeting at 3:34 PM.

Delhi Grange: The meeting of Delhi Grange was called to order. Bob Clouse reported that he had received a \$500 check for earnest money from the church group to purchase the property. The check has been given to the State Grange and based on acceptance of the recommendations established by the Executive Committee at the January meeting. The interested party plans to move a mobile home onto the property in order to protect the property. A new SI 100 will need to be filed as soon as possible. Brother Clouse stated that the last thing the gentleman stated after he dropped off the earnest money was that if a Grange was organized in the area he was willing to join and work with them to use the hall. Meeting closed.

Crescent Redwood Grange: The hall seems to be taken over by Lake Earl Grange and is being rented. It would appear that it should be providing sufficient cash flow for Lake Earl to make their payments to the California State Grange. Brother Sihner has been asked to further investigate.

Healdsburg: This Grange closed several years ago, and has been used as a ballet studio. The individual indicates that she is still paying rent.

Greenhorn Grange: Leo Bergeron recently addressed the Weed Rotary Club regarding Grange and was included in a news article. He indicated that the Grange supports the State of Jefferson movement. Master Lewis sent a strongly worded letter to him regarding this, as it is not a California State Grange policy. Past Master Bergeron was directed to, in the future, clearly state which Grange supports this concept and to provide a copy of the minutes, under seal and signature, of any Granges that have adopted this policy.

A copy of the letter from Greenhorn Grange regarding opposition to the removal of dams on the Klamath River was read by Johnny Squire. He asked for the position of the California State Grange. Additional research was needed regarding Grange policy.

Marian Nichols departed the meeting at 4:22 PM. Linda Lewis rejoined the committee at that time.

Coalinga Grange: The Grange Property Committee is planning a visit. Coalinga Grange has not been able to have any meetings since they were reorganized. The Grange needs to be reorganized or suspended. They are two quarters in arrears.

ACCOUNT RECEIVABLES:

Inger Bevans gave a brief report Accounts Receivables. Many expenses paid by the CSG Grange have been designated as an Account Receivables, even though they do not meet the requirements of an Account Receivable. She suggested some changes, having Promissory Notes signed by active

reorganized Granges with outstanding accounts, writing some items off as Bad Debt, establishing an accounting department for halls owned by the California State Grange, and developing an additional department to handle income and expenses for halls that are still held in the name of a local Grange, and finally the sale of derelict halls with no possibility of reorganization. The committee discussed the ramifications of the various suggestions. It is clear that there is a need for a clear policy on how to assist newly formed Granges while they are re-establishing in the local community while still protecting the assets of the Grange. In addition it is important to be equitable for the existing Granges that have needs.

MASTER'S REPORT CONTINUED:

Grange Trial: The Grange Court has made a decision in the matter of Ron Trombley and he has until March 19th to respond. The deposit by the respondent for the court cost was not received and he did not attend the court session.

Franchise Tax Board: There is a survey going out from the Franchise Tax Board to the Granges of California. There are Granges appearing on the list from the Secretary of State that have been dissolved or suspended.

The meeting was recessed at 6:05 PM for dinner, and reconvene at 8:30 AM.

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 AM, Sunday March 15, 2009. After the flag salute and a brief prayer, the committee went into executive session for the discussion of personnel matters.

The committee came out of executive session at 10:00 AM.

GIA Win-Win Committee: The Worthy Master will be attending the GIA Annual Meeting tomorrow in Seattle. The Win-Win Committee is looking for ways in which the Grange and GIA can work together better to the benefit of both organizations. He will be explaining how the California State Grange is working to turn membership growth around.

Membership: Membership at the end of the 2008 was 9176, a growth of about 150 members compared with the end of the first quarter in 2008. While there have been losses of some Granges there have been others that have reorganized. Some of the reorganizations have been very successful.

GWA HANDBOOK: The revisions made to GWA Handbook were reviewed. Some additional revisions were made to further clarify areas of concern. The revisions were incorporated into the handbook. It was **MOVED** by Randall Lewis and seconded by Bob McFarland to accept the revised GWA Handbook with the additional revisions. *Motion carried unanimously.*

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES: A request was received by the State Secretary for a copy of the minutes of the last Executive Committee minutes. It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Martha Stefenoni that any member that requests a copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee may receive an electronic copy of the signed and initialed minutes. Discussion of the issue ensued. *Motion carried unanimously.* The details will be worked out.

PROPERTY TITLES: The committee will plan to address this item at the next meeting. There needs to be education as to the need and what property protections it provides for the Grange now and in the future.

VISTA GRANGE: The issue was discussed. It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Randall Lewis that “we reaffirm the earlier commitment to pursue legal action in the matter of Vista Grange.” **MOTION** by Bob McFarland and seconded by Inger Bevans to amend to include “and to explore additional avenues of resolution including mediation”. Discussion. **Aye:** *Bevans, McFarland*; **Nay:** *Lewis, Clouse, Squire, Stefenoni*. *Amendment lost*. Motion as originally presented. **Aye:** *Clouse, Lewis, Stefenoni, Bevans, Squire*. **Nay:** *McFarland*.

MOVED by Johnny Squire and seconded by Martha Stefenoni that the Executive Committee shall receive a report of the status of the lawsuit and review the expenses for the legal action against Vista Grange at each Executive Committee meeting. Discussion. **Aye:** *Bevans, Clouse, Lewis, Squire, Stefenoni*. **Nay:** *McFarland*. The committee examined how to cover the expenses and why this issue is important for the Grange as a whole. Several ideas were discussed and possible funding sources identified.

MOTION was made by Inger Bevans and seconded Martha Stefenoni that the \$50,000 in the office contingency fund be made available for current expenses. Discussion. *Motion carried unanimously*.

The Executive committee will meet at 9:00 AM on Sunday March 22, 2009 to discuss the budget, cuts and savings, as well as funding sources.

Redwood Valley Grange: A complete application for \$6000 has been received from Redwood Valley Grange to cover the cost of hall repairs. They would like to withdraw the funds from their asset management fund. **MOTION** made to approve the request by Redwood Valley Grange to withdraw \$6,000 from the asset management fund. *Motion carried unanimously*.

Greenhorn Grange Request: The committee reviewed California State Grange policy regarding the removal of dams. In addition Res 06-050 was reviewed and in all due diligence the committee determined that as State Grange policy opposed dam removal and the issue advocated the status quo, there would be more chance of harm if the dams were removed. It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Inger Bevans that the State Master write a letter supporting the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors in opposing the removal of dams on the Klamath River. *Motion carried unanimously*.

COMMUNICATIONS: A letter was received about the recognition of 50 year Grange members. The California FFA issued an invitation to attend the 85th Annual Meeting in April.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM.

Executive Committee

March 22 & 29, 2009
Special Meeting - Budget

Day One - March 22

The meeting was called to order at 9:12 AM by Chairman Robert Clouse. The Flag salute was led by Brother Clouse, followed by a brief opening prayer. Roll call was taken. Present: Master Randall Lewis, Overseer Martha Stefenoni, Executive Committeemen: Inger Bevans, Bruce Brunell, Robert Clouse, Bob McFarland, Johnny Squire, also in attendance Treasurer Marian Nichols, and Secretary Katie Squire.

The minutes of the March 14-15, 2009 were reviewed, corrected and approved.

Sister Inger Bevans offered an explanation of the composition of the various funds in the CSG fund accounting records. Resolutions setting the Grange's policy regarding GBO funds through the years were reviewed. The Committee brainstormed a list of ideas and priorities for cuts, reductions and changes in the budget.

The committee moved to Executive Session for the discussion of Salaries, staffing and other personell items.

The budget with projected incomes and related expenses for the balance of the year was examined line by line. Corrections and adjustments based on occupancy for the rental buildings and realities.

After a brief lunch break the committee continued with their deliberations.

Departmental Budgets were subject to examination. The outline of the Community Service Department Talent Contest received from the Directors. The rules and awards described were analyzed. A budget of \$2500 was allocated for the State Contest and the travel expenses of the Directors. Any additional funds may be raised through fund raising, but must be run through the accounts of the California State Grange. The funding and expense for this activity will be shown in the Membership Development department for this year. The Youth and GWA Departmental budgets are essentially self funded and as such were untouched. The Legislative Department budget was subject to scrutiny. The budget was cut by \$1400 for expenses. The income and expense budget for the Annual Membership Meeting were reviewed. Linda Lewis, Convention Coordinator joined the meeting. In 2008 all meals were priced at the same cost as was charged by the facility. The only meals that were compensated were for the staff, and the National Grange representatives. Meal prices for children 14 and under were subsidized.

There are a variety of reasons the people are not coming to convention. It was recommended that the Convention Committee, when appointed, generate ideas for funding sources and include suggestions for Granges to use to defray the costs of their delegates. The current budget does not appear to include rooms for any officers, directors, deputies or other individuals. It is important to understand that the contract requires a minimum of 300 room nights at the host hotel in order to cover all of the facilities. The membership needs to understand the reasons for them to use the host hotel.

According to the National By-Laws an annual meeting must be held. Notification of the Annual Meeting specify must be sent no later than 30 days prior to the date. The State By-Laws specify the meeting will be held in the month of October. In addition, special meetings as needed may be held for the conferral of degrees. Cancellation of the contract was discussed and whether or not a substantial penalty would be assessed if the contract was terminated. Other options will be explored and reported back at the next meeting.

The revenues and expenses of the Grange News were reviewed. Changes in staffing were made and other expenses were moved to Public Relations, yielding some savings. If one edition of the paper is dropped, so that it comes out quarterly, there are some additional cost cuts that can be done.

The Committee will continue the meeting on Sunday March 29, at 9 AM. The meeting was recessed at 4:56 PM.

Day Two - March 29

The Flag salute was led by Brother Bruce Brunell, a brief opening prayer was offered by Sister Inger Bevans. Roll call was taken. Present: Master Randall Lewis, Executive Committeemen: Inger Bevans, Bruce Brunell, Robert Clouse, Bob McFarland, Johnny Squire, also in attendance Secretary Katie Squire. Absent: Overseer Martha Stefenoni.

The Membership Department budget was revisited. Additional adjustments were made to clarify the fund transfers. Several options for Convention were discussed. The Radisson, in Fresno, is willing to work with the Grange to allow this year's contract to be postponed until the 2010 convention. Various combinations of activities were discussed. Priorities were discussed as well as expenses. Austerity measures were considered for this convention. Possible scheduling changes were examined for not only this year, but future conventions. The Master was authorized to renegotiate with the Radisson in Fresno to have a two day convention with a reduced room rate and number of room nights, with no additional costs for facilities or meal functions.

It was **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell and seconded by Johnny Squire that the priorities for the 2009 convention were processing Constitutional amendments, legislative resolutions, Election of Officers and the 2010 Budget. Any resolutions received after August 15 would be carried over to the next convention unless the appropriate resolution committee chairman approves it as a matter of major importance to go to the floor. *Motion carried unanimously.*

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Bruce Brunell that the Expo Director shall make the appropriate notifications that there will not be an Expo at the 2009 convention. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Several other items and updates were presented for information only.

In Executive Session personnel issues were revisited in light of the revised budget and workload. The revised budget will be considered for adoption after the convention issues are resolved.

The committee announced that the next regular meeting will be May 9 starting at 8:00 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 PM.

Executive Committee

April 14, 2009

GrangeSpeak - Special Meeting

The special meeting of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange was called to order at 6:10 PM by Chairman Robert Clouse. Roll call of officers: Master Randall Lewis, Overseer Martha Stefenoni, Executive Committeemen: Robert Clouse, Inger Bevans, Bob McFarland, and Johnny Squire. Absent: Bruce Brunell. Also present: State Secretary Katie Squire serving as recording secretary.

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Bob McFarland to approve the minutes of the March 22 & 29 as corrected and amended. *The minutes were approved unanimously.*

Budget: Action cannot be taken until the convention issue is resolved.

EI Camino Grange: An email was received from Howard Sihner regarding the preliminary title search. It was pointed out that there is a reversion clause in the property deed that was discovered in the title search. It was suggested that an attorney be contacted to review what can be done at this time. Master Lewis also has been contacted by an individual from Chico Grange that is interested in reorganizing E1 Camino Grange and is offering a counter offer for the hall. Concern was expressed regarding reorganization in this hall due to the condition. There are also two Granges nearby. Master Lewis indicated that there is the possibility of USDA grants for hall improvements. This item will be discussed at the next regular meeting when additional information can be obtained.

Convention: Master Lewis has been in contact with the Radisson with the changes that were recommended at the last meeting. Revisions to the contract were made on our end and submitted for approval. The final word regarding the contract revisions has not been received from the Radisson General Manager. Concerns were expressed about shortening the length of convention effecting having a quorum. The feeling was expressed that the basis of the decision needs to be solely on economic reasons. The 117 delegates did vote in 2007 to go to Fresno. It was also pointed out 2007 was a different time, and the effects of today's economic situation for the delegates and the Grange needs to be considered. Due to the current financial conditions that the Grange faces it has become an emergency.

It was **MOVED** by Inger Bevans and seconded by Bob McFarland for the California State Grange to cancel the contract with the Fresno Radisson for the 2009 Convention under the provisions of the emergency clause. The Committee was reminded that the Master had followed their request to approach the Radisson for changes in the contract and that has not received an answer one way or the other. Frustration regarding the length of time waiting for the response was expressed by several committee members.

It was **MOVED** by Inger Bevans and seconded by Johnny Squire to table the motion until the CSG has an answer from the Radisson, no later than Friday April 7. Discussion. Motion to table: Aye: Lewis, Squire, Stefenoni. Nay: McFarland, Bevans, Clouse. *Motion to Table failed to carry.*

MOTION to cancel the contract as originally written returned to the floor. Vote: Aye: McFarland, Bevans, Squire, Clouse. Nay: Stefenoni. Lewis. *Motion to Cancel the Contract carried.*

It was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland and seconded by Inger Bevans that the California State Grange 2009 Annual Membership Meeting be held at Orangevale Grange, details to be worked out. *Motion carried unanimously.*

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Bob McFarland that the motion at the March 29 meeting to cancel the Grange Expo for 2009 be rescinded. *Motion carried unanimously.*

The meeting closed at 7:29 PM.

Executive Committee

May 9, 2009

Offices of the California State Grange

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Robert Clouse. The Flag salute was led by Johnny Squire, followed by a brief opening prayer offered by Randall Lewis. The roll was taken. Present: Randall Lewis, Master; Ex. Committee Robert Clouse, Bob McFarland, Bruce Brunell, Inger Bevans, Johnny quire, also in attendance, State Secretary, Katie Squire as recording secretary. Martha Stefenoni, Overseer; delayed in transit.

The agenda was reviewed, amended and approved.

Minutes of the April 14th Grange Speak meeting were presented. It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Inger Bevans to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2009 Grange Speak meeting. *Motion carried unanimously.*

FINANCIAL REPORT

Inger Bevans presented the Financial Report. There are some changes due to changes in the status of Granges. Additional adjustments will be made as time allows. Some items are over budget, and need to be revisited, including legal expenses. The report is still incomplete regarding posting of dues and some expenses.

BUDGET

Worthy Chairman Clouse put together a subcommittee of Executive Committee members to meet with the "Orangevale convention steering committee" to develop a budget for the convention. Sister Bevans presented the information developed during the meeting with the "convention steering committee". Brother Clouse pointed out that he had cautioned the committee that their work would serve as recommendations, but were not set in stone.

DEPUTY REQUEST

A request was received from Jack Surmani requesting additional information. Brother Surmani was directed that since he is a Deputy that any materials that are required by Deputies will be provided by the Master. Similar requests should be handled in a like manner regarding fraternal matters.

MASTER'S REPORT

Bayside Grange announced the creation of a new website for connecting Grange members. The Master was directed to investigate further as it seems to have issues of infringement for the National and State Granges.

Complaints have been received by the State Master regarding Granges having events in their halls that are disturbing the neighbors.

The corporate status for Davis Creek Grange has been revived.

Coalinga Grange has received a Notice of Weed Abatement. The Master will suspend the charter for this Grange due to failure to file Quarterly reports since they were reorganized.

Notice was received that Past First Gentleman Michael Fletcher's father had recently passed away in Puerto Rico. The State Chaplain will be notified to send condolences.

An answer has been received for the Complaint that was filed in the San Diego courts regarding **Vista Grange**. Questions, regarding the portion of expenses that the National Grange will be covering, were asked by the committee. The National Grange Executive committee has agreed to support continued action to retain this property.

Master Lewis reported that the Radisson in Fresno has requested a \$1000 fee for the cancellation of the 2009 convention. MOTION by Inger Bevans and seconded by Bob McFarland that the fee to the Radisson in Fresno be paid and a letter thanking them for their consideration accompany the payment. Motion carried *unanimously*.

EL CAMINO GRANGE HALL

The Preliminary Title search for EI Camino Grange hall was discussed; there are issues on both sides. The Morgan's have established an escrow account for the purchase of the Grange hall. Revival of the corporation is underway. The California State Grange as the seller may cancel the sale of the property up to the point that escrow closes. The committee reflected upon the benefits and problems regarding this property. Bob McFarland provided additional information regarding the other group expressing interest in the property. "Tehama Together" is an organization that seems to be well aligned with Grange purposes and is expressing interest in reorganizing EI Camino Grange. Concerns were expressed regarding proceeding with the sale to the Morgan's. It was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland and seconded by Randall Lewis that the sale of EI Camino Grange be rescinded. *Motion carried unanimously.*

It was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland and seconded by Randall Lewis that the CSG hire an inspector for a building inspection of EI Camino Grange. *Motion carried unanimously.*

NIE (Newspapers In Education)

A thank you gift was received for a donation that was made to Newspapers In Education. A small portfolio/planner was given for a door prize for the Youth Conference.

YOUTH CONFERENCE

Registrations are lagging at this point. Bob McFarland volunteered to call several local Granges to motivate registrations.

FUTURE

The California State Grange is on the verge of growth. Our message rings well with people at this time. He has visited several Granges with presentations about the Grange, memberships were taken each night. Bob Clouse acknowledged that his Grange held an open membership meeting and he has been fielding new membership applications as a result.

Problems in the Northern and Southern parts of the state were discussed.

The meeting was joined by Buzz & Linda Chernoff and Dale Baker at 10:51 AM. The meeting was set at ease while the projector was set up for a presentation. Bill & Shirley Thomas also joined the assemblage. Linda Lewis, Joe Stefenoni and Dorothy Brunell were in attendance as well.

The meeting reconvened at 11:03 AM. Buzz Chernoff offered a PowerPoint of the concept for the 2009 CSG Membership Meeting. A detailed presentation was given of the suggested schedule and available facilities. A variety of options are available. The dates will be October 15th – 18th.

It was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland and seconded by Inger Bevans that the Convention Steering Committee be authorized to proceed with their plans for the 2009 California State Grange Annual Membership meeting. Ayes: Lewis, Stefenoni, Bevans, Clouse, McFarland, Brunell; Nay: none; Abstention: Squire

It was **MOVED** by Randall Lewis and Martha Stefenoni that the steering committee's recommendation for artwork for the logo and pin for the 2009 California State Grange Annual Membership meeting be accepted for use. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Dale Baker departed the meeting at 12: 15 PM. The group broke for lunch. Buzz and Linda Chernoff invited everyone to the Swing Dance at Marshall Grange in the evening.

The latest Orangevale newspaper had information about events at 3 local Granges. As a result of the Orangevale Grange Family Fair they will be holding an event for their membership providing secured shredding of paperwork and documents. They will be opening this up to the community in the future.

Buzz & Linda Chernoff, Bill & Shirley Thomas, Joe Stefenoni, Linda Lewis and Dorothy Brunell departed the meeting at 12:45 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 12:45 PM.

COSTA MESA GRANGE

The CSG received a request from Costa Mesa Grange for a release of funds from their Asset Management Account to fund \$7,500 in scholarships. The committee questioned if this request met the criteria for uses of

Asset Management funds. Additional background information was presented regarding the Grange and activities in this area. Valid uses for Asset Management funds are for property purchases, hall improvements, either for theirs or another, or furthering the aims of the Grange. It was **MOVED** by Inger Bevans and seconded by Bruce Brunell, to reject the request for from Costa Mesa Grange as it doesn't meet the criteria for the uses of Asset Management Funds. *Motion carried unanimously.*

MEADOW VISTA GRANGE

A request was received from Meadow Vista Grange to increase the Grange Hall loan that they have with the California State Grange by \$5300 to cover the expense of a full survey of their property. They have been making double payments on the loan so that they have the ability to repay the increased loan. It was pointed out the procedures for obtaining the loan were not followed in this case, and need to be followed in the future.

It was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland and seconded by Inger Bevans to retroactively approve an increase of \$5300 to the current loan to Meadow Vista Grange for a property survey, based on their ability to pay. *Motion carried with 6 voting Aye. Squire absent from the room at this time.*

FOWLER GRANGE

Bob McFarland met with representatives from Clovis-Sanger Grange and it would appear that they are interested in moving into Fowler Grange Hall. The City of Fowler is taking bids for renovations of the hall. Bob Clouse has spoken with a neighbor adjoining the north edge of the property regarding the shared fence and a bid for replacement.

VISTA GRANGE

The title of the Vista Grange property has been clouded due to the lawsuit that has been filed.

EASTLAKEGRANGE

Bob McFarland stopped by during his travels around the state and spoke with individuals regarding establishing a farmers market at this site. They were receptive to the idea. It was suggested that if the note for the Grange Hall loan that was made for hall improvements were either adjusted or forgiven there would be current members who would be willing to be involved in the hall. Planning for a public barbecue to facilitate reorganization efforts was done.

It was pointed out that there needs to be a clear cut method or guidelines for working with reorganizing Granges that have existing debts.

DELHI GRANGE

The minister and his group are anxious to proceed with work.

RUTHERFORD GRANGE

Bob has talked with the Master and asked for them to hold off turning in their charter and give him a chance to work on reorganizing. He has contact with an arts group that would be interested in becoming involved.

OWENS VALLEY GRANGE

This Grange is located in Independence, CA Bob McFarland visited the Baxter Brothers Exercising his best due diligence Bro er McFarland discovered that there is an opportunity to pursue "green" activities in the community. He is planning a trip back with additional information,

GRANGE NAME

Additional information has been received from Leroy Watson with the National Grange regarding the use of the Grange name with a new restaurant in Sacramento.

BUDGET REVISIONS

The committee reviewed the list of comps for the 2008 convention. The Executive Committee considered a variety of options regarding the number of positions and days for room compensation. For purposes of discussion for this convention room compensation costs were determined on the basis of 30 rooms per night, for 3 days, and a price of \$90 per night; with the expectation that there are some of the officers, directors and deputies who will take part in the cost savings. It was **MOVED** by Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Bruce Brunell that the budget for convention lodging be increased to \$8100. *Motion withdrawn* by the maker.

Effective July 1st, the Firefighters Burn Center will be moving out of the Grange Complex. The Master has been aggressively working to find renters for the facilities. An optical company is looking at one of the smaller portions of one of the buildings.

The committee moved into Executive Session at 3:10 PM. The committee returned to regular session at 4:10 PM.

The committee discussed options of changing convention dates for future. The reason for looking at alternate is to find dates that will fall outside high season rates. The committee recommended that the issue be referred to the convention committee.

At this point there is no location for 2010 convention or beyond. A proposal has been received from the Northern Coast Granges.

The budget committee will be challenged due to the problem of lack of rentals in the Grange Triangle. Membership projections should be conservative.

The committee was given an assignment to review the Executive Committee handbook for issues that need to be clarified or addressed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 PM.

Executive Committee

Special Email Meeting
2009 Final Budget Revision

On Friday May 15, 2009 at 2:37 PM, Sister Inger Bevan provided the members of the California State Grange Executive Committee with a finalized copy of the revised 2009 CSG Budget. She requested that the committee review it and approve the final form.

At 3:45 PM Chairman Robert Clouse opened an Email meeting to accept or the revision of the 2009 CSG Budget. Votes must be received prior to 5 PM on May 18th.

Clouse voted YES.

Johnny Squire responded at 5:34 PM. He expressed concern regarding the projected expenses for convention rooms, He felt that the committee needed to revisit "comping" of rooms, Squire voted NO.

Randall Lewis voted on the budget May 16, 2009 at 9:58 AM, Lewis voted YES.

May 17 at 2:48 AM, Johnny Squire presented his ideas regarding the policy for "comping" of 21 motel or hotel rooms at the Annual Membership Meeting. He requested that the topic be placed on the agenda for the next

regular meeting. In an addendum second email he requested that Sister Bevans vote, reminding her that his vote is only one voice among the seven.

May 17 at 7:29 AM, Bob McFarland sent an email expressing agreement in the need to establish policy for "comping" of rooms. McFarland voted NO.

May 17, 4:26 PM, Inger Bevans presented her thoughts regarding the budget revision, She too felt that the "comped" rooms expense is out of line and that current policy needs to be revised, Until that time she can not support the revised budget. Bevans voted NO.

May 18th at 9:00 AM. Robert Clouse reminded the committee that a budget is simply a tool, and that the subject at hand is the approval of the revised 2009 budget. He is in agreement that something needs to be done regarding the "comp list" and that it should be placed on the agenda. The members were also reminded that two votes have not yet been received and that the vote will close at 5:00 PM.

May 18, 9:48 AM, Martha Stefenoni cast her vote. Stefenoni voted YES. She also expressed her opinions regarding the need to establish policy regarding room compensation at the convention. She suggested that the policy be developed and presented to the delegate body prior to nominations of officers. Communication regarding the financial condition of the California State Grange is also important at this time,

May 18, 2009 12:06 PM, Chairman Robert Clouse declared the special email meeting for the approval of the revised budget closed as all had voted. The majority having voted in the affirmative the vote was declared favorable. Revised 2009 Budget adopted. Yes votes: Lewis, Brunell (vote received by Chairman), Stefenoni and Clouse. No votes: Squire, McFarland and Bevins.

Executive Committee

Special Email Meeting

Repair Pressure Tank at El Camino Grange Hall

May 27, 2009 6:50 PM, Worthy Master Randall Lewis informed the CSG Executive Committee by email that he had been contacted by Bernie Morgan and the well pressure tank in the basement of the El Camino Grange Hall was leaking badly and needed to be repaired. He requested approval of the expenditure of funds to repair the damage. The repairman who worked on Westside Grange will be called to assess the situation and provide a cost for repairs.

May 28th, 10: 19 AM, Chairman Robert Clouse opened a Special Email Meeting for the purposes of repairing the pressure tanks at the El Camino Grange building. It was moved Martha Stefenoni and seconded by Bob McFarland that Randy be allowed to get the necessary repairs made. The repairs need to be made regardless to what else happens.

May 28th , 10:25 AM. Johnny Squire voted YES.

May 28, 2009 8:08 PM. Inger Bevans voted YES. She inquired if the inspection had been done. Bob McFarland voted yes.

May 29, 2009 7:46 AM. Chairman Robert Clouse reported that the vote was in favor of proceeding with the repairs to EI Camino Grange Hall, with 6 votes being cast and all in favor. Master Lewis was directed to proceed with the necessary repairs.

June 1, 2009, 3:31 PM, Brother Squire expressed concern that all votes are still not being received by the committee.

June 2nd, 7:01 AM, Master Lewis reported that the tank had been installed over the weekend at a cost of around \$750.

Executive Committee
Special Email Meeting
Coalinga Grange Hall Yard Cleanup

Monday June 29, 2009 - 6:46 AM Johnny Squire notified the committee that he had received a bid \$250 from Tamayo's Lawn Service of Coalinga to perform the yard cleanup. If approved they indicated that they could perform the cleanup at the end of the week. He requested an email meeting.

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Martha Stefenoni to approve the bid from Tamayo's Lawn Service in the amount of \$250 for the initial clean up and \$25 per month for the monthly maintenance of the Coalinga Grange Hall yard. Squire voted yes.

June 29, - 10: 12 AM, Chairman Robert Clouse questioned the need for an email meeting as the regular meeting is set for July 8. He suggested waiting and discussing the matter at that time. June 29, 11:04 AM, Overseer Martha Stefenoni asked if there were any weed abatement notices for Coalinga Grange with deadlines to comply.

June 29, 1:31 PM. Master Randall Lewis voted yes.

June 30, 2009 6:50 AM. Johnny Squire reminded the committee that a Weed Abatement notice had been received for Coalinga Grange and was read at the last regular Ex. Committee meeting. At that time he had offered to get the bid from a local service. This is the one that he just received and submitted to the committee for action.

June 20, 8:57 AM. Bob McFarland voted yes.

June 30, 10:30 AM, Chairman Clouse thanked Brother Squire for the update and confirmed that the information had been reflected in the Minutes of the May 9th meeting. He requested to confirm a second for the motion.

June 30, 10:35 AM. Bob McFarland seconded the motion to accept the bid of \$250 for the clean up of the Coalinga Grange Hall yard and monthly service at \$25. (All earlier votes to be counted..)

June 30, 10:40 AM. Martha Stefenoni also offered a second to the motion. Stefenoni voted yes.

June 30, 11:10 AM. Inger Bevans voted yes.

June 30, 2: 15 PM. Robert Clouse voted yes. Chairman Clouse declared by unanimous vote the bid by Tamayo's Lawn Service to clean up and maintain the Coalinga Grange property was accepted. Brother Squire was directed to contact Tamayo's Lawn Service to begin work, and to bring the appropriate paperwork to the July 8 meeting.

Executive Committee
July 8, 2009
Offices of the California State Grange

Sacramento, CA

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Robert Clouse. The Flag salute was led by Katie Squire, followed by a brief opening prayer offered by Randall Lewis. The roll was taken. Present: Randall Lewis, Master; Overseer Martha Stefenoni, Ex. Committee Robert Clouse, Bob McFarland, Bruce Brunell, Inger Bevans, Johnny Squire, also in attendance, State Secretary, Katie Squire as recording secretary, and Treasurer Marian Nichols.

The agenda was reviewed. Chairman Clouse discussed some of the items that had been placed on the agenda.

Minutes of the May 9, 2009 meeting were presented. It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Inger Bevans to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2009 meeting. *Motion carried unanimously.*

The minutes of the Special Email meeting regarding the 2009 final Budget Revision were presented and corrected. The minutes of the Special Email meeting regarding Repair Pressure Tank at El Camino Grange Hall were presented and corrected. The minutes of the Special Email meeting regarding Coalinga Grange Hall Yard Cleanup were presented and corrected.

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Bob McFarland to accept the minutes of the special email meetings as corrected. *Motion carried unanimously.*

BOOKKEEPING

Bookkeeper Amy Self joined the meeting at 9:34 AM. She shared information regarding updating signatures on the various accounts of the California State Grange. This will be taken care of as soon as possible.

Sister Self presented information about recently reorganized Granges. She suggested that a general policy statement and procedures need to be developed regarding the repayment of funds expended by the California State Grange. This will be to the benefit of the Granges, the office staff and auditor.

The Lake Earl is the only active Grange that is delinquent in loan payments. There are now new officers at this Grange and if the note is to be rewritten it may get this loan back on track.

The Financial Reports up to 6-30-09 were discussed. It was noted that if the dues from Granges that are delinquent were collected the cash flow of the California State Grange would be greatly improved.

The proposal from Bruce Sneesby for the 2008 Audit was also offered to the committee.

Sister Self departed the meeting at 10:06 AM.

MASTERS REPORT

Currently there are 3 loans held by the California State Grange that are delinquent. Crescent Redwood Grange has been closed, but Lake Earl Grange received permission from the Executive Committee in the past to use the Crescent Redwood hall for youth activities. There is an account receivable for Property Management for the Crescent Redwood hall. Lake Earl has a Grange Hall Improvement loan which is also delinquent.

As noted earlier Lake Earl Grange now has a new group of people involved and appears to be more willing to work with the State Grange to address the delinquent loan.

Eastlake Grange is also closed. There is an outstanding Grange' Hall Improvement Loan. The loan is secured by the property.

Worthy Lecturer Buzz Chernoff joined the committee at 10:30 AM.

The committee discussed some ideas as to how to be equitable when dealing with the delinquent loans. It was decided that the policy (*reproduced as printed*).

MOVED by Inger Bevans and seconded by Bruce Brunell to accept the proposal from Boden, Klein & Sneesby for the 2008 Audit. Discussion regarding the audit procedure as well as if the audit could be delayed. Aye: Lewis, Stefenoni, Brunell, Bevans, Squire, Clouse. Nay: McFarland. Motion carried.

JANITORIAL SERVICE

A memo was offered from Jay Hartz presenting a bid from Crossroad Services for janitorial service. Janitorial service for the State Grange Office has been handled by the Master. It was moved by Bob McFarland and seconded by Bruce Brunell to not accept the bid from Crossroads for Janitorial services. Motion carried unanimously.

GRANGE MEMBERSHIP

Master Lewis had been approached by Aldelanto Grange to consolidate with High Desert Grange. He wanted to work with them to see about bringing more people into the Grange in that area. They have not pursued consolidation any further at this time.

Dale Baker joined the committee at **II** :00 AM.

2009 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Buzz Chernoff and Dale Baker presented an update of the 2009 Annual Membership meeting. They have revised the meeting schedule based on recommendation from the previous meeting. Clarification of the required credential reports was given to the steering committee. Our National Grange representative will be National Grange Master Ed Luttrell. Some fine tuning to the revised suggested schedule was added.

The Steering Committee has identified many the tasks during the meeting and has recruited officers, directors and involved members to head up these tasks.

Sound, facilities and meal functions were discussed. Brother Squire wanted to make sure that the sound system will be at least equal to what we have had in the past when using Jim Clute. They have reviewed the supplies that have been left over from previous years. Accounting for the convention was discussed. Communications to the membership will appear in the next issue of the Grange News. They are building a "Grange Phone Tree" to make personal contacts with Grange Masters throughout the state.

Brothers Chernoff and Baker departed the meeting

The committee broke for lunch at 12:00 Noon. During lunch the committee was given the chance to view some of the publicity for Orangevale Grange's GrangeStock event. Following the meal the committee toured the 2101 Stockton Blvd. facilities

The meeting reconvened at 1:00 PM

Property Rental

A 3 year rental proposal has been received from a charter school for 1973 sq. ft. on the first floor of the V Street property. We have returned a counter offer. Concerns were expressed due to some of the conditions of the proposal. The committee will await the response to the counter offer.

No Budget-No Pay

Approximately \$3400 has been collected at this point. There have been some actions taken legislatively to affect the pay received by legislators and committees. It may not be constitutional to take the pay. But we have lost momentum. The citizens are disgusted to the point of apathy. While it will only cost \$200 to file the initiative with the Attorney General, forming the committee, and really pushing this effort will need much more money, time and effort. We can also just continue to have a presence on this issue. Randy, Legislative Director Michael Greene and Publicity Director Bob McFarland will be meeting to discuss. The committee expressed the opinion that at this time it would be better to just continue to have a presence rather than pushing forward with an initiative. If and or when the California State Grange files the initiative with the Attorney General, that will start the clock running on the deadline to collect signatures as well as document any funds collected solely for this purpose.

Name Protection

The National Grange has been working diligently to protect the name Grange. They have expended a lot of time, effort and money in the action against Tyson Foods. Since Tyson has withdrawn their activity using the Grange name any funds collected by the National Grange will be used to continue protecting the name Grange.

National Grange Hosting Assessment

Last November the National Grange passed a resolution asking each State Grange to remit \$1 per member each year to defray the cost of hosting the National Convention. They are establishing a fund that will be accumulated for the 2012 Convention in Boise, 10. The committee expressed their concern that this was a dues increase.

Vista Grange

The National Grange does not have funds available to cover any expenses regarding Vista Grange. The National Grange Executive Committee is willing to provide a \$12,000 loan at 1.5% interest to help us get through the situation. The expectation is that after the matter is resolved the loan will be repaid.

The committee was updated as to what is happening regarding the Vista Grange action. An additional payment has been sent to the attorney that we have contracted with for this matter. The matter is being pursued.

Electronic Membership

Over the past few years Randy has encouraged the National Grange to step into the 21st Century regarding providing membership opportunities electronically. National Master Ed Luttrell and NG Membership Director Rusty Hunt worked together with him to develop a resolution. Master Lewis presented a copy of the resolution that was passed at the Oregon and Washington State Granges. It looks like it is also being presented at some other State Granges.

Phone System

Last week the system was not operating correctly. Randy remedied the problem when he came to the office. The problem will be addressed.

It was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland and seconded by Johnny Squire to accept the E- Membership resolution for presentation at the Annual Membership meeting this fall. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Website

It is anticipated that we will have full control of the California Grange Website around midnight tonight.

Budget Committee

The Master reported that he had contacted Larry Kroger to serve as Chairman of the Budget Committee, the rest of the committee from last year will be reappointed.

Fraternal Concerns

Master Lewis reported that Past First Lady Lillian Booth's mother is very ill and has been moved to convalescent care.

Correspondence

The Worthy Master Lewis presented much of the correspondence that has been received since the last meeting.

It was **MOVED** by Johnny Squire and seconded by Martha Stefenoni that a donation of \$100 be given to the Pacific Legal Foundation. Aye: Lewis, Stefenoni, Bevans, Brunell, Clouse, and Squire. Not voting: McFarland. *Motion carried.*

Personnel

Correspondence was received from the EDD regarding a former employee.

Delhi Grange

A letter has been written authorizing the gentleman who is purchasing the property to perform work on the property. This was done because the local police had requested to know why he was working at the hall. The property will soon be going through escrow.

Personnel Matters

The Master voiced his concern with the section of the bylaws regarding the hiring and firing of employees. The committee discussed options for the future. They confirmed the hiring of the new employee.

MEMEBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Chairman Bob McFarland presented a slide presentation of pictures from his visits around the state. Anderson Valley, Biggs, Eastlake, and Fair Valley Granges were highlighted. Fort Bragg, Humboldt, Redwood and Laytonville Granges were visited during his travels along the northern coast. He stopped by Little Lake Grange. Photos from the state FFA Conference were shown. In order to receive the photos the FFA members had to log onto the state photo website and we were able to create an email list. Photos from Fowler Grange were viewed. Clovis-Sanger Grange has voted that they are willing to be move to Fowler Grange Hall. Photographs from a variety of events throughout the state were shown as well. The Membership Director presented to the Master an application for the Reorganization of Fowler Grange from the membership of Clovis-Sanger Grange.

REPORTS ON GRANGES

Biggs Grange The corporate status for Biggs Grange has been restored with Master Lewis as Agent of Service.

West Visalia Grange The corporate status for West Visalia Grange has been restored also with Master Lewis as Agent of Service. An offer has been received for the purchase of this property. Jim Olivias, the real estate agent offering the property has prepared a response. If the interested party is in agreement there need to be an email meeting.

Coalinga Grange

The corporate status of Coalinga Grange has been updated with Master Lewis as Agent for Service. Johnny Squire presented the bid for maintenance of Coalinga Grange yard. He also has received an inquiry regarding

rent or lease of the hall to a Baptist Church group. The AA groups have been paying a monthly rent and 75% of the utilities. The local American Legion is also looking at reorganization and wants to make sure that they have a date available. Brother Squire will pursue the matter of a rental or lease of the property with the provision that days be held for Grange use.

Davis Creek The corporate status is active and Master Lewis is the Agent of Service.

Fowler Grange The corporate status is active and Master Lewis is the Agent of Service.

Eastlake Grange The corporate status is active and Master Lewis is the Agent of Service.

Crescent Redwood Grange The corporate status is active and Master Lewis is the Agent of Service.

Delhi Grange The corporate status is active and Master Lewis is the Agent of Service.

EI Camino Grange The corporate status is active and Master Lewis is the Agent of Service. The Franchise Tax Board has a concern and the paperwork has been handed to our bookkeeper. Regarding the matter of an inspection, the occupants are currently out of town. At this point Bob Clouse and the inspector will wait until after August 1. Bob Clouse has also spoken with Kathy Parra regarding distance to other Granges in the area.

A brief break was taken at 4:05 PM. The meeting was joined by Carrie Behler and Ray George.

HUB - Humanity Unites Brilliance

Sister Behler introduced Ray George who spoke about the history of HUB. Carrie then explained how the network marketing system works. They offer a multitude of benefits, products and opportunities. The product provides empowerment, access and trainings. A portion of the proceeds go toward charities. Some concerns were expressed as to this being a difficult market due to cost of membership in this program. Sister Behler and Mr. George departed the meeting at 5:00 PM.

The Committee continued to review the status of Granges.

EI Camino Grange cont. It was decided to continue forward and get the inspection completed.

Storage Units There are two 10'x20' storage units. Bob McFarland and Shirley Baker will review the contents of the units and work out a plan to clear them out.

By-Laws Requests

Several Grange have sent in changes to their By-laws. Processing has been delayed and it will be addressed as quickly as possible

Journal of Proceedings and Roster

The committee had been sent a final review copy of the Journal of Proceedings. It is ready for release on disk.

Benefits

Tony Lamb who is offering the Pre-Paid Legal and Identity Theft benefit program is struggling at this time. Other member benefits were discussed. It was suggested for the Membership Director to write an article about membership benefits for the next issue of the Grange News.

It was suggested Sister Behler be contacted soon thanking her for the presentation about HUB, but that at the current time it does not seem to fit into the needs of the Grange

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held August 20th starting at 9 AM. This will allow for the Audit and Budget Committee to develop the 2010 Budget ready for final review.

Brother Squire expressed his concerns about how the Convention Committee is being allowed to develop the convention. He felt that they were stepping beyond what the committee was charged with doing. This prompted further discussion about how the committee has worked.

Room Compensation

The committee discussed if they would change the policy of compensating Officers, Directors, Deputies and invited guests for their rooms during the meeting. The Master will contact the officers to determine what needs there are for accommodations during the convention. It was pointed out that offers for space at member's home have been made by local Grange members.

It was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland that members be compensated for rooms only in hardship cases and that no delegates be compensated. Motion died due to lack of a second.

The prior State Masters, National Grange representative, and Masters of the Western Granges have normally been invited to attend and compensated. It was suggested that the letter of invitation be carefully worded.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 PM.

**Executive Committee
Special Email Meeting
West Visalia Grange**

On Monday July 13, 2009 at 2:56 PM, Worthy Master Randall Lewis reminded the CSG Executive Committee that no action was taken regarding the sale offer made for West Visalia Grange Hall. He requested that committee advise him in this matter so that he could respond to the real estate agent.

At 3:08 PM, it was **MOVED** by Bob McFarland to not accept the offer of purchase for the West Visalia Grange hall. Pending a second, he cast a YES vote.

At 5: 19 PM Sister Martha Stefenoni advised the committee that she was traveling and had limited email contact. She asked that if a second was received for Brother McFarland's motion that her vote was cast as NO.

At 5:29 PM, Sister Inger Bevans outlined that if the offer was accepted interest payments would be received under the terms of the purchase offer. The down payment offered would repay the bridge loan and cover closing costs only. The full amount would be paid within 5 years or less.

Sister Bevans **MOVED** to accept the sale offer for West Visalia Grange hail pending a second, she cast a YES vote.

Tuesday July 14, 2009 7:04 AM Johnny Squire seconded the motion by Sister Bevans to accept the sale offer. He cast a YES vote. He also reminded the committee that Sister Stefenoni was traveling and may need to be contacted by phone in order for her vote to be cast.

9:09 AM, Brother Bruce Brunell voted YES on the sale of West Visalia Grange.

10:05 AM, Executive Committee Chairman Robert Clouse clarified that there had been no second to the motion by Brother McFarland not to sell West Visalia Grange Hall. He declared the motion died for lack of a second.

Brother Clouse continued that "I will accept the motion made by Inger Bevans that we accept the recent offer made for the sale of West Visalia Grange." This motion was seconded by Johnny Squire.

Those who had not already voted were asked to vote.

10:09 AM Bob McFarland voted NO on the motion by Bevans to accept the offer to sell West Visalia Grange.

11:28 AM Robert Clouse voted YES to accept the offer on West Visalia Grange.

Wednesday July 15, 2009 4:55 PM. Chairman Clouse declared the email meeting closed.

West Visalia Grange: Motion by Inger Bevans and seconded by Johnny Squire that we accept the most recent offer to sell the property of \$335,000.

YES votes: Bevans, Squire, Brunell, Stefenoni (by phone) Clouse. NO votes: McFarland. Not Voting: Lewis. By majority Motion Carried.

Executive Committee

Special Email Meeting
Additional Action Items

At 3:57 PM on Monday July 13, 2009 Master Randall Lewis presented to the committee a list of items discussed by the CSG Executive Committee at their July 8th meeting for which no motion was made to allow the Master to proceed with action. He asked that the items be addressed during a Special Email Meeting.

At 5:55 PM Brother McFarland presented a series of motions to allow the Master to take further action.

I **MOVE** that we accept the recommendation of the Annual Membership Meeting Committee and set the Registration Fee for the 2009 Annual Meeting at \$25 for Delegate Registration and \$10 for Non-Delegates.

I **MOVE** that we accept the committee recommendation for a 3 Day Meal Package for Adults of \$60, with a per day charge of \$25 for those who will not be there for all 3 days. Children age 13 and below will be \$40.00 for 3 days and a 1 day charge of \$15.00. Age 6 and below will eat for free.

I **MOVE** that we inform the National Grange that we do not have funds available at this time to pay an assessment of \$1.00 per member for the National Grange Convention (total \$9,041.00).

July 13, 2009 6:08 PM, Sister Inger Bevans seconded each of the 3 motions.

Tuesday July 14, 2009 9:08 AM, Brother Bruce Brunell cast his **YES** vote for all 3 motions.

10:05 AM, Chairman Robert Clouse accepted the series of three motions made by Bob McFarland and seconded by Inger Bevans. Those who had not already voted were asked to vote.

11:28 AM, Robert Clouse voted **YES** on the 3 motions made by Bob McFarland.

1:42 PM, Johnny Squire voted **NO** on the motion to approve the meal ticket prices from the Culinary Institute. He requested written confirmation to back up the figures presented. He also expressed concern that it was not clear if this included the Youth Bar-B-que or not.

5:32 PM, Johnny Squire voted **YES** to approve the Registration Fee be set at \$25 for Delegates and \$10 for Non-Delegates.

5:38 PM, Johnny Squire voted **YES** to tell the National Grange that we do not have the funds available to pay a National Grange Convention Assessment at this time.

Wednesday July 15, 2009 4:55 PM. Chairman Clouse declared the email meeting closed. Convention Committee Recommendations: Moved by Bob McFarland and Seconded by Inger Bevans that we accept the committee recommendation that the Registration Fee be set at \$25.00 for Delegate Registration and \$10 for non-delegates.

YES votes: Bevans, Squire, Brunell, Clouse, Stefenoni (by phone), McFarland. Not Voting: Lewis. By majority Motion Carried.

Convention Committee Recommendation: Moved by Bob McFarland and seconded by Inger Bevans that we accept the committee recommendation of a 3 day meal cost for adults: \$60.00 with a per day charge for those who will not be there for all 3 days of \$25. Children age 13 and below will be \$40.00 for 3 days and a 1 day charge of \$15.00. Age 6 and below will eat free.

YES votes: Bevans, McFarland, Brunell, Stefenoni (by phone) Clouse. NO votes: Squire. Not Voting: Lewis. By majority Motion Carried

Motion by Bob McFarland and seconded by Inger Bevans that the CSG inform the National Grange that we do not have the funds available at this time to pay the assessment of \$1.00 a member for the National Grange Convention to comply with the resolution passed at the 2008 NG Convention. YES votes: Bevans, Squire, Brunell, Clouse, Stefenoni (by phone), McFarland. Not Voting: Lewis. By majority Motion Carried.

Executive Committee

Sacramento, CA 95817

August 20, 2009 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Bob Clouse at 9:30 AM. Members in attendance were Bob Clouse, Randy Lewis, Bob McFarland, Bruce Brunell, Inger Bevans and Martha Stefenoni. Brother Squire was excused due to illness but he will be available by phone. Guests in attendance were: Treasurer, Marian Nichols, Budget Committee Chairman, Larry Kroger, Ken Donnell, Leslie Parker, Shirley Baker, Howard and Johnnie Sihner. Larry Kroger led the group in the Flag Salute and Bob Clouse led the group in prayer.

Bookkeeper, Amy Self, joined the meeting and reviewed the current financial statements. The audit process will soon be starting.

Larry Kroger, Chairman of the Budget Committee, reviewed the proposed 2010 budget. He reviewed the each area of the budget. After areas of concerns were addressed, it was **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell, seconded by Bob McFarland to approve the budget as presented by the committee. VOTE: Ayes: McFarland, Brunell, Bevans, Stefenoni, Squire, Lewis and Clouse. *Motion approved.*

Meeting was recessed for lunch at 12:25pm. Meeting reconvened at 1:03PM.

Chairman Clouse introduced Scott Brown, Wells Fargo Banks' Business Relations Manager for the CSG's accounts at Wells Fargo and Jason Bell, Senior Portfolio Manager from Wells Fargo. Jason works with other non-profits to help them maximize their financial assets.

Bob McFarland, Membership Director, gave a report on the Granges he had visited. Scotts Valley Grange membership has expressed interest in moving to Eastlake Grange. He had photos of halls he had visited and a loan request from Rutherford Grange. The Master had received a loan request from Honey Lake Valley Grange. There were questions about both requests. Randy will contact both of the Granges and get back to the committee.

Johnny Squire rejoined the meeting by phone at 2:30PM.

El Camino Grange - Bob Clouse reviewed the report that was made on the condition of El Camino Grange. He accompanied the inspector and was able to see the condition of the hall for himself. After discussion and review of the report **MOVED** by Martha Stefenoni, seconded by Inger Bevans that California State Grange proceed to sell El Camino Grange Hall at a price of \$40,000, condition AS IS. VOTE: Aye - McFarland, Brunell, Bevans, Stefenoni, Lewis, Squire and Clouse. *Motion 36 Adopted.*

West Visalia Grange - The listing real estate agent for West Visalia Grange had sent a letter recommending that we lower the asking price for the Hall to \$299,000 and accept an offer between \$250,000 and \$299,000. Johnny commented that because of the zoning issues in the area we should sell that building based on current zoning rather than trying to change the zoning. Bob McFarland had visited Visalia, toured the area, met with the Chamber of Commerce and seen the hall and met the rental agent. Bob feels that a Grange could be reorganized there. **MOVED** by Randy Lewis, seconded by Bruce Brunell that we not renew the exclusive listing extension for the sale of West Visalia and take the building off the market at the end of the current contract. VOTE: Ayes - McFarland, Brunell, Bevans, Stefenoni, Lewis, Clouse. Abstention - Squire. *Motion Adopted.*

Unfinished Business:

Phone System - Randy is working with a new technician on resolving the phone issues.

Storage Units - We will work on cleaning the storage units out as well as the lower floor at 2101 Stockton Blvd on August 21, 2009.

Janitorial Service - Now that Crossroads is no longer renting a portion of the GBO building it was recommended that we discontinue their service and look for another janitorial service.

Annual Membership Meeting (Convention) - Master Lewis passed around the proof for the convention pin. Sonoma Pin had made some changes. The convention committee felt that Sonoma Pins' design didn't reflect the simplicity and the getting back to our roots they wanted to convey.

High Desert Grange had to remove a number of trees from their properties. The cost to remove the trees was \$1,550.00 and they were requesting funds from their Asset Management account. The request was properly presented. After all questions were answered **MOVED** by Bruce Brunell, seconded by Randy Lewis, to grant the request for \$1,550.00 from the Asset Management Account of High Desert Grange. VOTE: Ayes - McFarland, Brunell, Bevans, Stefenoni, Lewis and Clouse. Abstention- Squire. *Motion Adopted.*

Master Lewis had received a request from People for the USA Grange to consolidate with Greenhorn Grange. The request had been properly presented. **MOVED** by Johnny Squire, seconded by Randy Lewis, to allow the People for the USA Grange to consolidate with Greenhorn Grange. VOTE: Ayes- Unanimous. *Motion Adopted.*

Master Lewis received the generous donation from Grange Insurance Association in the amount of \$1.75 per member, for a total of \$8913.00 for the further advancement of the California State Grange to assist with our programs and activities.

MOVED by Bruce Brunell, seconded by Bob McFarland, that the minutes of the July 8, 2009 meeting be approved. VOTE: Ayes - Bevans, Brunell, Clouse, Lewis, McFarland, Stefenoni. Absent - Squire.

MOVED by Bruce Brunell, seconded by Bob McFarland, that the minutes of the July 13, 2009, at 2:56pm e-mail meeting be approved. VOTE: Ayes - Bevans, Brunell, Clouse, Lewis, McFarland, Stefenoni. Absent - Squire.

MOVED by Bruce Brunell, seconded by Bob McFarland, that the minutes of the July 13, 2009 at 5:55pm e-mail meeting be approved. VOTE: Ayes - Bevans, Brunell, Clouse, Lewis, McFarland, Stefenoni. Absent - Squire.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 14, 2009, 6pm, at the State Grange office.

MOVED by Bob McFarland, seconded by Inger Bevans, that the minutes of the August 20, 2009 be approved. VOTE: Ayes - Bevans, Brunell, Clouse, Lewis, McFarland, Stefenoni. Absent- Squire.

Respectfully Submitted
Katie Squire, Secretary

Section IV

Reports of Directors and Affiliates

Legislative Director
Public Relations Director
GWA Director
Deputy State Master – Region 3
Junior Grange Director
Youth Activities Director
Youth Directors
Convention Nurse
Vacaville Autumn Leaves
Ukiah Autumn Leaves

Legislative Director

Worthy California State Grange President, Brothers and Sisters:

2009 was a busy year for the CSG Legislative program and had a heavy emphases on water issues.

The beginning of the year was focused on proposed state-wide regulations for on-site wastewater treatment systems and the end of it was focused on legislation addressing the deterioration of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta due to the workings of the state's water delivery systems.

In between, CSG was involved with a range of issues embodied in state legislation dealing with the Williamson Act, legislative pay, net energy use metering, and in federal legislation dealing with safe foods,

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On site Sewage Disposal Systems

AB 268 (Gaines), AB 580 (Huber) and AB 916 (Logue) all dealt with the implementation of AB 885 which was enacted in 2000 to charge the State Water Resources Control Board to provide regulations governing the operation of septic tanks. AB 268 would have rescinded AB 885 entirely, AB 580 would have amended the provisions of AB 885 to enable the State Water Board to adopt exemptions to the regulations as Regional Water Control Boards can under AB 885, and AB 916 would have amended AB 885 to provide that standards, rather than regulations, be adopted by the State Board.

CSG Legislative Affairs testified in opposition to AB 268 because it would have left the water quality problems AB 885 called to be corrected unaddressed, and both AB 268 and AB 916 failed to come out of the policy committee.

The California State Grange testified at the Board's hearing on the draft regulations @ Santa Rosa on Feb 9, 2009 and called for their modification to impose less stringent requirements in areas of the state where septic tanks do not impair water quality and to impose stricter requirements in areas of the state where septic tanks do impair water quality and use.

The State Water Resources Control Board has not yet released a revised version of the draft regulations that reflects the comments Made at its public hearings.
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta

The Sacramento -- San Joaquin Delta is the heart of California's water system. Its deteriorating environmental condition, as documented by the legislature's cabinet level Delta Vision Committee and the Governor's Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force, spawned a number of bills to implement their recommendations.

AB 13 (Salas), SB 12 (Simitian), and SB 458 (Wolk) called for the establishment of a Delta Conservancy to plan and implement the restoration of the Delta. AB 39 (Huffman) empowered an Ecosystem Water Council to prepare a plan to implement the Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force's Strategic Plan. AB 49 (Feuer) set a goal of 20% state-wide reduction in water used by 2020 and required urban and agricultural water suppliers to develop water use targets by 2010 and agricultural water suppliers to develop agricultural water management plans. SB 457 (Wolk) established a Delta Stewardship Council and charged it to develop a Delta Stewardship Plan. SB 229 (Pavley)

5 of the bills, SB 12, SB 229, SB 458 and AB 39 and 49 were assigned to a Conference Committee during the waning days of the Session.

Other bills

CSG spoke against SB 17 (Florez) as it would have amended provisions of the Williamson Act, California's land-mark farmland preservation program, to make it easier for county supervisors to cancel Williamson Act contracts and allow Indian tribes to expand their reservations to accommodate tribal cultural centers, infrastructure, and housing. The Grange opposed the bill because it weakened the Williamson Act.

CSG monitored two bills dealing with legislators' pay. SCA 7 (Moldonado) and AB 1411 (Torrico) would have taken away legislator's pay when the state budget isn't adopted by June 15 as provided in the state's Constitution. Both bills provided that legislators would not be paid any salary or per diem for the period from June 16 to the date a Budget Bill is passed and sent to the Governor. Under AB 1411, travel and living expenses that would not have been paid would be permanently forfeited. AB 1411 also prohibited legislators from engaging in campaign fundraising activities until the Budget Bill is passed by the legislature and sent to the Governor. Neither bill came to the floor for votes in their respective houses.

CSG lobbied for passage of AB 920 (Huffman) to expand the current net-metering programs for wind and solar energy to allow the net-metered customers to sell any excess electricity they produce over a 12 month period to their electric utility.

CSG lobbied Congress for improvements in food safety in the US during the National Grange's "Fly-In" held in mid-May. CSG Legislative Affairs met with the staff of Congressman Sam Farr and other California Representatives to discuss federal legislation dealing with "safe foods" (HR 875, HR 759, HR 814, and SB 425). These bills address the rash of food recalls including lettuce, meat, peanuts and nuts that have occurred over the last 5 years. CSG continues to monitor these and other "safe food" bills to insure that regulations which result do not put small farms out of business due to the cost of compliance with them.

Throughout these activities, Legislative Affairs relied on the active support of the chairs and members of CSG's Legislative Committees, including their provision of general direction and their activation of telephone trees to ask Grange members to phone their legislator to request action on specific legislation. Special thanks are due to the vigilance and actions of the Water Committee and the Conservation Committees.

CSG Legislative Affairs program will rely more on these telephone trees in the future and member's willingness to actively respond to a Committee chair's call to ask that they make calls to legislators will be key to CSG's maintaining an active profile at the state legislature and the US Congress.

Respectfully submitted by
Michael Greene Director of Legislative Affairs.

Public Relations Director

Fellow Grangers,

My name is Bob McFarland. It's my pleasure and a privilege to once again report to you as your Public Relations Director.

It seems appropriate that our theme this year is “Back to Our Roots”. When I first joined, someone told me the Grange was a *grassroots* organization. Well, I wasn’t quite sure what that meant, so I brought a lawn mower to the first meeting.

So, here we are again, come together after another year of picnics, potlucks and pancakes. These things we have in common. How we differ makes us interesting. And in our grassroots tradition, how we work together binds us as brothers and sisters.

It is good to see all of you here. Yesterday, I ran into an old Grange member, Harold Shimmer. Harold told me he’s going to have a knee replacement. I told him to be careful. Jim McDaniel recently had a knee replacement – and they put the new knee on backwards – and now poor Jim just walks around in circles.”

We officially launched the Public Relations Department in January, 2008. Our goal was to do away with the Grange’s reputation as “the best kept secret in the California”. To that end, I believe we have enjoyed some success, as evidenced by numerous articles published in newspapers, appearances on radio and television broadcasts, and general word-of-mouth.

These days, you are less likely to hear, “What is the Grange” and more apt to hear, “Oh, you’re from the Grange? We’re coming to your fund raiser this weekend.”

Working with the Master, our Directors and leadership, our Public Relations department designs campaigns to promote public awareness. We write and distribute press releases, arrange radio and television interviews, produce events and workshops, maintain our press room web site, send mass email bulletins, design posters, flyers and brochures, photograph and record Grange events, and generally “get out the word”.

In addition to publicizing programs at the state level, we welcome the opportunity to work with our local Granges to promote programs and events for their communities.

The Public Relations Director also assists with the production of the Grange Newsletter, working with Editor Jay Hartz.

Because membership growth is a primary goal of Public Relations, beginning this year, our Membership Development Program was moved under the umbrella of the Public Relations Department.

You’ll recall, this year we challenged you to help us grow our membership with a program we call One By One. This simple, cost-free program asked that each and every one of us bring just one new member into the Grange - by persuading a friend, a relative, the grocery clerk, or the traffic cop giving you a ticket.

We fell far short of our goal. And there will be a net loss in membership again this year.

And this is what I would like to focus on for the remainder of this report. It is my one opportunity during the year to try to inspire you.

California is a BIG state. In my travels this past year, I was fortunate enough to visit 83 individual Granges. That’s about half of our active Granges. I cannot express adequately enough the great joy I experienced from the warm welcomes I received from so many fellow Grangers. I am truly grateful to all of you for the hospitality and friendship you’ve shown me. And I am amazed and humbled by the good work so many of our members are doing in their communities.

When you are able to travel and visit individual Granges across our state, you begin to appreciate the individual character of each Grange and the unique footprint they leave in their communities. You begin to

connect the dots between Granges – and realize that we are not isolated – that we have much in common. It is particularly encouraging when you find Granges working together, sharing resources and ideas, and supporting one another.

So, what is the answer to growing our membership? On a mission from National Membership Director Rusty Hunt, I journeyed as far as Homer, Alaska seeking the Holy Grail of membership. I sought the answer meditating amongst grizzly bears on a remote beach on the Kenai Peninsula. The only thing I learned that day was to bring an extra pair of underwear next time.

Finally, at the National Convention in Sparks, Nevada, along with Grangers from all over the country, I attended a workshop conducted by the Grand old membership Wizard himself, our Worthy National Master Ed Lutrell. Surely, he would bestow upon us the magic formula of eternal membership!

“Oh great Membership Wizard,” we pleaded, “Reveal to us the secrets of the quorum!”

He looked down upon us and proclaimed, “There is no secret. There is no magic potion. No one has invented a membership-o-matic machine.”

“Membership growth,” he said, “is the responsibility of ever Grange and every member.” Simple as that. And I could not agree more. For us to have a successful membership development program, each of us must be involved. The rewards or disappointments are ours to share.

Our Grange ancestors did not build our halls to hold dozens of people – they built these halls to welcome hundreds. And just as they rolled up their sleeves and worked together, so must we roll up our sleeves and work together to re-build our membership, ensure our future, and accept the important roles we play in our communities.

The true work of the Grange is not well displayed by our offices in Sacramento. It is better evidenced by the good work each of us does in our communities. We are not so well portrayed wearing suits and ties. We’re more about jeans and sweat. Our message is not best sent by email, but delivered by a helping hand.

Our “old timers” talk of the golden age of the Grange. When there were dances every weekend attended by Granges far and wide. We hear how whole families participated and shared. The Grange was a fundamental part of everyone’s lives.

I say, the Grange still has an important role in our lives. The future is not behind us – it is ahead of us. And with the blessing of our older members, a new generation of Grangers will carry the torch and light our way.

So, today, we gather here with a theme of “Back to our Roots”. We gather here in this Grange hall – the largest turn out of Grange members at a convention for many, many years. Over 50% of our Granges represented.

This is not an accident. Your message is clear. Return us to our roots. Re-focus our energy and resources on our members, our halls and our communities. Let’s get back to the fundamentals that brought us all together. Let us lead our organization into the future, responsibly, respectfully, and righteously.

“Back to our Roots” calls for each of us to take responsibility.

Together, we can do this. We must stop saying we can't and start shouting we can. We can! We can and we will. We can and we will.

Thank you.

Bob McFarland,
Public Relations
California State Grange.

GWA Director's Annual Report

Worthy Master, Officers and Members of the State Grange.

The Grange Women's Activities theme this year is Lamps of Friendship

It has been a very interesting year with the volunteer hours that were turned in with their reports was 47,179 hours. The State Contributions were to the Marinoff Memorial Scholarship , Kelly Farm Fund, and Make a Wish.

This year the Women's March will be donated to heart research for Women. The donation for 2010 will go to the March of Dimes.

The new project to the Shriner's Hospital of making Waiting Room Fun Bags, Stationery Kits, Scrapbook Supply Kits, Tapes and Toys for the children was a big success, and greatly appreciated. A donation of \$630.00 was also made to the hospital. The Dictionary Project and Caps for Hospice or the homeless are still a great project Other community projects are the Lap and ABC Quilts, Ditty Bags, Adopt a Family, Children's Shoe Box's, Bibs and help with the Battered Women's program. GWA is still saving stamps for the Easter Seal Foundation, however not as many stamps are turned in as in the past. Believe this is due to E-mail. Eyeglass's are still being given to the Lion's Foundation.

Many of the GWA's have their own special projects like sending packages to our troops overseas, New Morning Youth and Family Service, Donating to Food banks, start community Gardens, provide needs to Foster Care Facilities, Dog athon for the blind, Cell phones for our soldiers, Scholarships and the list is endless

The GWA Ladies are great fund raisers to help support their grange with bazaars, craft shows , breakfast's, dinners and rummage sales are just a few of the endless list. Thanks to the GWA Sisters who have made this year a success.

Fraternally,
Betty Eycler
GWA State Director

Deputy State Master's Report – Region 3

Dear Fellow Grangers:

I have served as Deputy in Lake County for several years. I've traveled to each Grange I represent at least two times this year. I helped one Grange with their audit, attended two memorials and several money making activities (breakfasts, craft sales, flea markets, etc.).

The Granges in our area vary in many ways; some are struggling, while others are doing very well. Scotts Valley Grange is transferring to East Lake Grange to help reorganize that Grange. Bachelor Valley is active and holds a breakfast each month. Big Valley Grange is doing well and also holds a monthly breakfast and flea market. North Shore is a small Grange with the minimum number of members. They meet once a month at the Masters' home.

The Pomona Grange meets monthly at various Granges and held a very successful annual picnic. East Lake has a beautiful hall and it is hoped that Scotts Valley may have success in reorganizing this Grange. East Lake is not one of my Granges, but I will help them whenever needed. Lake County should have a good showing at the convention; we have been urging the members to attend.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve this great organization.

**Fraternally,
Frank Nichols**

Junior Director Report

Worthy Master, Officer and Members of the California State Grange,

This year was about retaining Junior Grange members. Although we had one Junior Grange close, Grover City, we also had one re-chartered, Alpine. That keeps us at 23 Junior Granges in the state. Jim McDaniel is working with two Granges, Honey Lake and Mt. Bolivar, in the far north, to start Junior Granges.

Michele Price, the Leader of Coyote Junior Grange, is doing a tremendous job with her members, many who are home schooled.

I would like to thank Dolores Larrigan who led Junior activities at Family Camp this past August.

I would also like to thank those leaders who sent their reports this year: Lisa Blum, Pleasant Valley; Maureen Fernandes, Rubidoux; and Dolores Larrigan, Ione.

I have kept in touch with my Junior Leaders and Grangers interested in starting a Junior Grange through quarterly newsletters and emails as needed.

**Fraternally submitted,
Suzy Moramarco**

Youth Directors Report

We started out the year attending a very informative and inspiring officers and directors meeting in January at the state office. At this meeting we were able to make some decisions about some changes in the Youth Fair awards. We also honor the commitment to the winners of the Youth Fair Program with belt buckles. This was the first year that the youth conference was to be held during Memorial weekend in May. It was well planned by Youth Committee Chairman, Joseph Stefenoni, but unfortunately due to a very low response from youth participants, it was cancelled. Early in August we were involved in the Family Camp at Camp Tehama in Lassen County, organized by Brother McDaniels. Unfortunately because of our jobs as camp cooks took so much of our time, we didn't get to participate in a lot of the youth activities at camp.

It was exciting to learn recently that our CSG Youth Committee Chairman, Brother Joe Stefenoni, was chosen to lead the Youth 4th Degree Opening Team at the National Grange Convention this year. Congratulations Joseph, we're proud of you!

We have enjoyed our 8 years as Youth Directors and Youth Advisors, but feel it is time for someone else with fresh ideas and maybe a tad more energy take over. We will offer as much help and encouragement as possible to the next Brother or sister willing to take on this very rewarding task.

*Fraternally,
Patty & Bill Allen,
State Grange Youth Directors*

Nurse's Report

Worthy Brothers and Sisters,

Perhaps the best way to have fewer injuries and illnesses is not to announce where the emergency station is located or wear the paper nurses cap. Although there have been accidents off site and at least one member has returned home ill, I have had only one person approach me needing an antacid, there have been no other emergency issues to my knowledge. Thank you to all who have expressed their confidence in me as convention nurse.

May I respectfully request an addition to the rules of convention starting in 2010: Due to public health issues and respect for attendees with allergies, only service dogs will be allowed at all functions of CSG conventions. No other animals will be allowed without permission granted prior to convention.

It is my personal opinion; the most important resolution submitted to the Health Committee was tabled 09-068: concerning the growing problem with the development of Type 2 Diabetes in children. If Chico Grange #486 would like for me to assist them with rewriting the resolution and resubmitting, I would be delighted to do so.

Thank you Worthy Past Master Randy Lewis for asking me to serve the CSG at convention again this year.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Bettyann Biringer-Rehm, R.N.**

Ukiah Autumn Leaves-

Since the last California State Grange Convention Ukiah Autumn Leaves has continued to provide quality affordable housing to low income elderly and disabled tenants. We have just renewed our HUD contract for another 5 years which allows us to continue this service to the community.

In the past year we have replaced two of our HVAC units on the roof and the fire suppression system in our commercial kitchen.

We have received satisfactory reports from our annual Management review and Physical inspection. We continue to retain our staff of Donald Lauenroth, Administrator for 16 years, Robin Johnston, Resident Manager 1 year, Carl Nunemaker, Maintenance 2 years, and Andrew Pryse Janitor 7 years.

As we move on to 2010, our 35th year, Ukiah Autumn Leaves continues to serve our community and the Grange in ways that go beyond the dreams of its founding board. I would like to recognize Claude Trimble, Gunnor Erickson, Arthur Burke, Albert Eldrick, and Harvey Sawyers for the work they did to get Autumn Leaves started back in 1975.

Our current Board of Directors continues to oversee and direct what has become an example of the granges husbandry of a great community asset.

Our current Board of Directors are:

- President: Henry Strock
- Vice President: Robert Karger
- Secretary: Patricia Stephens
- Member: Bruce Brunell
- Member: Bob Canclini

**Respectfully Submitted
Henry Strock
President, Board of Directors
Ukiah Autumn Leaves Inc.**

Vacaville Autumn Leaves

Vacaville Autumn Leaves is a senior living complex sponsored by the Grange in conjunction with Retirement Housing Foundation and has been in operation since 1988.

The projects completed this past year include upgrading all the landscaping around the entire property, replacing the TV in the dinning – recreation room, and by the end of the year the replacement of 14 AC units will be completed.

A senior coordinator was hired this year, after much searching for the right person. He assists residents with counseling and education on all matters concerning programs available to all seniors, and hold regular resident meetings to keep the tenants updated on activities in the area and any other items they may wish to discuss.

Frank and Marion Nichols, Board members, represented Autumn Leves at the annual Retirement Housing

Foundation meeting held in Long Beach this last spring.

The Board meets every three months and consists of Grange members and we are looking for representation from local business people as well. If any of you are interested in serving on this board, please let yus know.

This facitily was instigated and put in place by long-time Granger members over 20 years ago and still very much a Grange project – one the Grange can be proud of being associated with.

**Respectively submitted,
Rosemary Hansen
Board President**

Section V

Financial Reports

**Budget for Fiscal Year 2010
Check Register**

Summaries

Revised Budgets for 2009 and 2010 Proposal**INCOME**

General Fund	273,000.00	234,830.00	236,772.03	257,500	265,926	245,740
Cost of Goods Sold	(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)	(1,807.43)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)
GIA Service Agreement	192,500.00	192,500.00	188,650.00	188,000	188,650	188,650
Membership	18,000.00	18,000.00	6,592.15	0	2,500	6,639
Community Service			0.00		2,500	2,000
Deputies	5,000.00	4,198.00	0.00	0	0	0
GWA	16,150.00	16,150.00	6,618.71	11,000	9,000	5,700
Youth Activities	21,400.00	11,500.00	11,867.97	6,200	12,450	8,000
Family Health Resources	500.00	0.00	0.00	0	0	0
Legislative	100.00	0.00	0.00	0	0	0
Durpray Legislative			1,782.00	0	0	0
Convention Fund	16,500.00	31,700.00	19,960.77	22,980	10,400	10,000
Public Relations	0.00	0.00	850.00			0
Grange News	25,020.00	25,020.00	20,367.90	22,056	20,226	19,224
Rental Property	253,320.00	162,799.16	147,957.01	138,623	123,445	90,788
Other Income			120.00			
GHL Interest			4,531.19			
Total	820,490.00	695,697.16	644,262.30	645,359	634,097	575,741

EXPENSES

General Fund	521,068.00	454,000.00	474,247.89	458,285	444,810	381,188
Membership	18,000.00	18,000.00	6,592.15	0	2,500	6,639
Community Service					2,500	2,000
Deputies	12,250.00	10,250.00	7,727.74	6,950	6,950	5,000
GWA	16,150.00	16,150.00	6,618.71	11,000	9,000	5,700
Youth Activities	39,350.00	30,350.00	11,867.97	12,750	12,450	8,000
Family Health Resources	500.00	0.00	85.61	0	0	0
Legislative	34,550.00	34,050.00	25,922.03	33,850	32,050	18,050
Durpray Legislative			2,251.42			0
Convention Fund	49,500.00	72,188.26	54,083.90	38,350	18,900	15,000
Public Relations	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,911.53	19,250	32,211	33,160
Grange News	43,350.00	43,350.00	42,315.11	59,950	41,246	38,547
Rental Property	60,200.00	60,200.00	71,025.98	29,200	36,200	22,500
Lecturer & Other	1,000.00		682.99			
Total	813,918.00	756,538.26	722,333.03	669,585	638,817	535,784

NET	6,572.00	(60,841.10)	(78,070.73)	(24,226)	(4,720)	39,957
Past due to Asset Management Funds						34,744
To be covered with bridge loan		75,000.00				
To be covered with contingency funds				50,000		

Budget Proposal for 2010 Notes

- 1 Based on 7380 dues-paying Fraternal members
- 2 Based on 157 Associate members
- 3 Earnings from Asset Management Funds
- 4 Greenfield and Fresno Note Interest
- 5 Annual donation from GIA
- 6 Master @ 36,000 and 8 stipends @ 600 each
- 7 2 F/T employees plus 1 P/T employee
- 8 Suggest bring this in-house
- 9 Combine Officers/directors/Deputies into one conference
- 10 Annual FFA donations and other
- 11 All properties in Triangle plus Grange Hall liabilities
- 12 T-1 Line -Exploring new options
- 13 Vista litigation - Delegates must decide funding source
- 14 Eliminate one storage Unit
- 15 7380 members @ \$11
- 16 Special Assessment every year for National's convention costs
- 17 Web Site now under CSG control
- 17 (A) Housing not cost-effective
- 18 Prior 13,573 less 4,434 used in 2008 leaves 9,139 for 2009
2,500 of GBO funds for 2009 leaves 6,639 for use in 2010
- 19 GWA breakfast eliminated. Convention luncheon for GWA.
- 20 Reserve funds remaining after 2008 = 31,390
- 21 Raise fees to cover expenses
- 22 Reserve funds remaining after 2008 = 14,197
- 23 Youth BBQ now part of Convention PKG
- 24 Reduce to part-time consultant
- 25 No Budget/No Pay
- 26 Convention - ALL MEALS for one fee
- 27 Comped Rooms Only
- 28 Assist with Grange News
- 29 Dues allocation of \$2 per member
- 30 Need to start an E-mail delivery option to members
- 31 9 months @ 6583.32 plus 3 months w/30% reduction
- 32 VACANT PROPERTIES
- 33 These are CSG owned properties

Interest due to the Asset Management Fund for the Wisteria Project
 Totals \$34,744 as of June 30, 2009

	2008	2008	2009	2009		2010
	Revised	Actual	Proposed	REVISED		Proposal
		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	
GENERAL FUND						
Department 50						
Income						
Dues - Fraternal	180,192.00	166,111.44	198,000	198,000	1	184,500
Dues - Associate	3,174.00	2,271.00	4,000	4,000	2	3,140
Administration Fees	20,000.00	42,169.75	20,000	30,000	3	28,000
Interest - General	15,000.00	294.02	12,000	9,000		9,000
Interest - Notes Rec	11,178.00	9,768.35	9,000	9,000	4	5,800
Donations - General	876.00	9,271.32	9,000	9,176	5	8,800
Dues Billing Service	1,910.00	3,650.75	2,500	3,500		3,600
Resale	2,500.00	2,778.15	3,000	3,000		2,900
Special Services & Misc	0.00	91.48	0	0		0
Prepaid Legal	0.00	272.42	0	250		0
Recoveries	0.00	93.35	0	0		0
Total Income	234,830.00	236,772.03	257,500	265,926		245,740
COGS	(1,000.00)	(1,807.43)	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)
Expenses						
Officer/Directors Salary	47,200.00	46,309.30	46,400	45,600	6	40,800
Staff Salary	97,000.00	99,552.38	107,625	80,000	7	78,000
Benefits	15,000.00	19,014.64	16,500	16,000		13,380
Payroll Tax	14,000.00	13,847.13	15,000	10,000		9,200
Accounting & Bookkpg	0.00	550.00				0
Audit Services	8,000.00	16,345.00	12,000	15,000		15,000
Auto/Vehicle Exp	2,500.00	1,523.71	2,000	2,000		2,000
Awards & Gifts	2,000.00	567.64	1,000	1,000		700
Bad Debts	500.00	0.00	500	500		500
Bank Fees/ADP	3,500.00	3,228.50	3,000	4,000	8	700
Conferences & Mtgs	6,000.00	1,500.75	4,500	4,500	9	2,000
Donations	1,500.00	2,576.95	1,500	1,500	10	1,500
Dues Billings	2,000.00	2,953.56	1,800	1,800		1,800
Dues/Fees/Subscriptions	2,500.00	772.23	2,000	2,000		800
Equipment Leases	12,000.00	10,764.58	12,000	12,000		12,000
Fairs & Trade Shows	1,000.00	500.00	1,000	1,000		500
Insurance	15,000.00	20,399.32	15,000	20,000	11	20,000
Insurance - Work/Comp	2,000.00	934.84	3,200	2,000		1,144
Internet Services	3,600.00	4,463.15	3,600	3,600	12	1,200
Janitorial	4,700.00	0.00	3,600	0		720
Landscaping	5,040.00	5,040.00	4,000	2,500		2,600
Legal	7,500.00	3,034.00	6,000	6,000		3,000

Legal - Vista		18,673.15		10,000	13	0
Licenses/Permits	100.00	0.00	100	100		100
Moving/Storage/Misc	3,400.00	5,538.50		2,750	14	2,500
Dues - Nat'l - Fraternal	85,500.00	83,925.00	90,000	90,000	15	81,180
Dues - Nat'l - Associate	2,000.00	1,795.00	2,000	2,000		1,727
National Convention	5,000.00	792.24	5,000	10,000	16	8,800
Office Expenses	7,000.00	8,026.84	7,000	7,000		6,000
Postage/UPS	5,000.00	2,694.36	1,000	1,000		1,500
Printing & Supplies	6,000.00	3,331.65	5,000	3,000		3,000
Promotion	1,000.00	540.71	1,000	0		0
Repairs/Maintenance	5,000.00	10,362.62	5,000	5,000		5,000

	2008	2008	2009	2009		2010
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		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	
Web Site	2,500.00	2,450.91	1,000	3,000	17	0
Computer Repair	10,000.00	10,960.83	5,000	12,000		7,000
State Executive Comm.	6,000.00	2,620.40	6,000	4,000		3,000
State Master/Office	12,000.00	11,447.03	12,000	12,000		8,000
State Master - Housing	12,960.00	12,960.00	12,960	12,960	17A	0
State Officers Expense	500.00	63.39	500	500		500
State Secretary/Office	2,500.00	1,112.04	2,000	2,000		2,000
Taxes - Property	2,500.00	8,975.75	5,000	5,000		12,737
Telephones	3,500.00	3,677.45	3,500	3,500		3,000
Training	1,000.00	256.00	0	0		0
Travel		41.86	0	0		0
Utilities	13,000.00	11,240.30	15,000	12,000		12,000
Uncatergorized Expense		180.85				0
Subtotal Expenses	439,000.00	455,544.56	441,285	428,810		365,588
Interest - Wisteria Note	15,000.00	18,703.33	17,000	16,000		15,600
TOTAL EXPENSES	454,000.00	474,247.89	458,285	444,810		381,188
NET	(219,170.00)	(237,475.86)	(200,785)	(178,884)		
GIA Service Agreement-Income	192,500.00	188,650.00	188,000	188,650		188,650
Notes:						
Master's Salary	40,000.00		40,000		Master's Salary	36,000
Stipends	8,800.00		6,400		Stipends	4,800
MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT						
Department 100						
Income						
Donations		2,158.12				
Transfer from GBO	18,000.00	4,434.03	0	2,500	18	6,639
Total Income	18,000.00	6,592.15	0	2,500		6,639

Expenses						
Lodging		488.86				
Meals						
Talent Show		2,800.00		2,500		2,000
Supplies		1,738.50				
Training & Conferences		370.17				
Travel		644.42				
Fees and Postage		72.94				
Member Development	18,000.00	477.26	0			4,639
Total Expenses	18,000.00	6,592.15	0	2,500		6,639
NET:	0.00	0.00	0	0		0
COMMUNITY SERVICE						
New Department						
Income						
From Membership Dept				2,500		2,000
Total Income				2,500		2,000
Expenses						
Talent Show				2,500		2,000
Total Expenses				2,500		2,000
Net				0		0

	2008	2008	2009	2009		2010
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		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	
DEPUTIES						
Department 110						
Income						
Transfer from GBO	4,198.00		0			
Total Income	4,198.00	0.00	0	0		0
Expenses						
Conferences	4,800.00	3,532.60	2,000	2,000		1,000
Lodging	750.00	374.69	750	750		600
Meals	250.00	540.83	400	400		400
Supplies/Printing	250.00	13.99	100	100		0
Property Fieldwork	1,000.00		500	500		500
Mileage/Travel	2,000.00	1,979.75	2,000	2,000		2,000
Telephone	1,200.00	1,285.88	1,200	1,200		500
Total Expenses	10,250.00	7,727.74	6,950	6,950		5,000

NET:	(6,052.00)	(7,727.74)	(6,950)	(6,950)		(5,000)
GWA FUND (Dept. 150)						
Income						
Donations	300.00	250.00	300	300		300
Women's March	1,000.00	907.55	1,000	1,000		1,000
Cookbook Sales-net	150.00		125	125		100
GWA Bkfst-Conv	2,500.00	1,424.50	1,500			0
Scholarship - Marinoff	0.00	242.00	0	0		
Master Gift	0.00	85.80	0	0		100
Kelly Farm	0.00	72.00	0	0		
Deaf Awareness	0.00	85.00	0	0		
Director Gift	0.00	109.50	0	0		100
Miscellaneous	1,600.00	176.00	1,000	1,000		
Raffle	1,000.00	1,279.00	1,000	1,000		1,000
Transfer/Reserve Funds	9,600.00	1,987.36	6,075	5,575	20	3,100
Total Income	16,150.00	6,618.71	11,000	9,000		5,700
Expenses						
Awards & Gifts	1,500.00	886.90	1,000	1,000		1,000
Conferences	2,500.00	0.00	1,000	1,000		
Donations	2,500.00	1,807.55	2,000	2,000		2,000
Lodging	3,000.00	380.46	2,000	2,000		500
Conv - GWA Breakfast	2,500.00	1,617.53	2,000			0
Meals	800.00	448.44	800	800		600
Postage/UPS	250.00	61.57	200	200		100
Printing	100.00	58.35	100	100		100
Director Expense	150.00	0.00	100	100		
Supplies	500.00	520.67	400	400		400
Telephone	350.00	0.00	200	200		
Travel	2,000.00	837.24	1,200	1,200		1,000
Total Expenses	16,150.00	6,618.71	11,000	9,000		5,700
NET:	0.00	0.00	0	0		

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		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	
LECTURER'S FUND						
Department 160						
INCOME	0.00	0.00	0	0		0
EXPENSES	1,000.00	682.99	0	0		0

Net:		(682.99)				0
YOUTH ACTIVITIES						
New Department (400)						
Youth, Juniors & Fair						
Income						
Convention BBQ	300.00	1,492.00	1,000			
Convention Breakfast	200.00	692.00				
Donations	0.00	1,415.68	1,000	1,000		1,000
Conference Income	4,000.00	1,761.00	1,000	1,000		1,000
Conf-Western States	0.00		0	0		
Family Camp	3,000.00	2,007.50	1,200	1,200	21	3,000
Projects	200.00	1,086.68	0	0		1,000
Resale	2,500.00	0.00	1,000	1,000		
Auction	1,300.00	0.00	1,000	1,000		1,000
Special Events	0.00		0	0		
Transfer from Savings		3,413.11		7,250	22	1,000
Total Income	11,500.00	11,867.97	6,200	12,450		8,000
Expenses						
Combined Proposal:						
Awards & Gifts	3,500.00	74.06	500	500		
Convention BBQ	300.00	1,512.00	300		23	
Conferences & Mtgs	4,100.00	5,485.93	2,000	2,000		2,000
Family Camp	3,350.00	2,814.46	1,000	1,000		3,000
Grange Fair/Adv	2,400.00	1,558.53	2,400	2,400		1,500
Meals	2,600.00	0.00	500	500		
Lodging	3,000.00	0.00	1,000	1,000		
Postage/UPS	500.00	9.37	100	100		
Printing	1,350.00	0.00	250	250		
Supplies	2,500.00	205.64	1,500	1,500		500
Travel & Mileage	5,300.00	207.98	3,000	3,000		1,000
Projects	550.00	0.00	0	0		
Director	700.00	0.00	0	0		
Special Events	0.00	0.00	0	0		
Telephone	200.00	0.00	200	200		
Total Expenses	30,350.00	11,867.97	12,750	12,450		8,000
NET:	(18,850.00)	0.00	(6,550)	0		0

	2008	2008	2009	2009		2010
	Revised	Actual	Proposed	REVISED		Proposal
		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	

FAMILY Health						
Department 300						
Income						
Donations	0.00		0			
Total Income	0.00	0.00	0	0		0
Expenses						
Awards & Gifts	0.00					
Postage & Printing	0.00					
Projects & Supplies	0.00					
Director Expenses	0.00	46.88				
Travel/Meals	0.00	38.73				
Total Expenses	0.00	85.61	0	0		0
Net:		(85.61)	0	0		
LEGISLATIVE DEPT						
Department 500						
Income						
Donations	0.00		0			
Total Income	0.00	0.00	0	0		0
Expenses						
Salaries - Staff	24,000.00	19,000.00	24,000	24,000	24	12,000
Awards and Gifts	0.00	180.16	0	0		0
Conferences/Mtgs	750.00	418.07	1,250	1,250		500
Donations	0.00	1.00	0	0		0
Dues/Subscriptions	3,500.00	3,486.36	3,500	3,500		3,500
Legal	500.00	93.92	500	100		
Lodging	2,500.00	0.00	2,000	1,600		1,000
Meals	200.00	9.00	200	200		
Office Supplies	0.00		0			
Postage	100.00	0.84	50	50		
Printing	100.00	0.00	50	50		
Repairs - Maint Database	0.00	1,532.50	0	0		0
Director Expenses	0.00		0			0
Supplies	300.00	1,050.20	300	300		300
Telephone	100.00	0.00	0			0
Travel Expense	2,000.00	149.98	2,000	1,000		750
Total Expenses	34,050.00	25,922.03	33,850	32,050		18,050
Net:	(34,050.00)	(25,922.03)	(33,850)	(32,050)		(18,050)

DUPRAY LEGISLATIVE						
Department 510					25	
Income						
Donations		1,782.00				
Total Income		1,782.00				0
Expenses						
Merchant Account Fees		3.88				
Conferences & Meetings		108.69				
Web, Internet Acct		2,138.85				
Total Expenses		2,251.42				0
Net		(469.42)				

	2008	2008	2009	2009		2010
	Revised	Actual	Proposed	REVISED		Proposal
		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	
CONVENTION FUND	Sacramento		Fresno	Orangevale		
Department 600						
Income						
Donations	10,000.00	2,233.02	0			
Convention Pins	200.00	100.00	200	100		
Patrons Luncheon	800.00	660.00	1,000	0		
Registrations	6,000.00	5,130.00	8,000	5,000		5,000
Degree Tickets	650.00	1,700.00	400	200		
Journal of Proceedings	150.00	120.00	100	100		
Resolution Packs	100.00	20.00	80	0		
Awards Banquet	5,000.00	3,659.25	6,000	0		
Expo Income	1,000.00	520.00	700	0		
Lecturer's Dinner	4,500.00	2,979.25	3,500	5,000	26	5,000
Membership Dinner	3,000.00	2,339.25	3,000	0		
First Timer's Luncheon	300.00	500.00	0	0		
Total Income	31,700.00	19,960.77	22,980	10,400		10,000
COGS						
Convention Expenses						
Salary O/T	2,145.87	1,944.13	2,000	1,000		1,000
Awards/Gifts	1,512.50	623.68	1,500	0		
Awards Banquet	7,156.37	4,547.36	6,000	0		
Conferences & Meetings	48.23	0.00	100	0		
Equipment Rental	2,203.71	1,460.00	2,000	1,000		1,000
Expo Awards	2,499.00	2,211.00	2,000	2,000		2,000
Facility Fees	6,465.00	5,257.14	2,000	500		

First Timer's Luncheon	1,044.82	1,315.56	0	0		
Harvest Feast	685.91	1,041.74	0	0		
Hospitality Room	562.02	503.67	0	0		
Lecturer's Dinner	5,089.02	3,038.81	3,500	5,000	26	5,000
Lodging	24,695.56	21,329.27	7,500	8,100	27	6,000
Meals	696.52	773.31	500	0		
Membership Dinner	4,603.45	2,702.93	3,000	0		
Opening Reception	1,866.92	1,534.83	0	0		
Patron's Luncheon	1,385.00	1,084.70	1,000	0		
Postage/UPS	318.88	614.07	350			
Printing	673.44	434.43	700	400		
Promotional Items	2,771.47	1,784.38	1,200	200		
Supplies	4,583.16	630.50	2,000	700		
Travel	1,181.41	1,252.39	3,000			
Total Expenses	72,188.26	54,083.90	38,350	18,900		15,000
Net:	(40,488.26)	(34,123.13)	(15,370)	(8,500)		(5,000)

	2008	2008	2009	2009		2010
	Revised	Actual	Proposed	REVISED		Proposal
		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	
PUBLIC RELATIONS						
Department 660						
Income						
Donations	0.00	850.00	0			
Total Income	0.00	850.00	0	0		0
Expenses						
Director Salary	12,000.00	12,109.22	12,000	24,000	28	24,000
Benefits, Taxes, WC	1,000.00	1,268.73	1,000	1,961		1,960
Travel-Mileage	3,000.00	807.36	2,400	2,400		3,000
Lodging	1,000.00	1,027.17	1,200	1,200		2,000
Web Hosting/Maintenance			900	900		0
Workshops/Ag Day		983.67	800	800		1,000
Meals & Misc		362.11	650	650		500
Supplies	800.00	1,424.65	300	300		500
Subscriptions	200.00	429.20	0	0		200
Telephone		499.42				0
Total Expenses	18,000.00	18,911.53	19,250	32,211		33,160
Net		(18,061.53)	(19,250)	(32,211)		(33,160)

GRANGE NEWS						
Department 650						
Income						
Dues-Fraternal	19,000.00	18,011.50	17,830	18,000.00	29	14,760
Dues-Associate	400.00	359.00	226	226.00		314
Paid Subscriptions	20.00	183.00	0	0.00		150
Advertising	5,600.00	1,814.40	4,000	2,000.00		4,000
Ad Discounts						
Total Income	25,020.00	20,367.90	22,056	20,226		19,224
Expenses						
Staff Salary	20,000.00	20,063.52	40,000	24,000		24,000
Benefits	2,550.00	1,951.14	5,100	228		230
Payroll Tax	1,800.00	2,654.19	3,600	2,131		1,875
Bad Debt	0.00		0	0		
Conference/Meetings	500.00	0.00	0	0		0
Dues/Fees/Subscriptions	300.00	289.90	300	300		300
Workers Comp	750.00	0.00	1,500	537		242
Mailing Services	2,000.00	1,135.20	750	750		1,200
Office Expenses	200.00	0.00	200	200		0
Postage	10,000.00	11,802.09	5,000	9,600	30	7,200
Postage-Meter	50.00	0.00	0	0		
Printing	5,000.00	4,419.07	3,500	3,500		3,500
Supplies	200.00	0.00	0	0		
Total Expenses	43,350.00	42,315.11	59,950	41,246		38,547
Net:	(18,330.00)	(21,947.21)	(37,894)	(21,020)		(19,323)

	2008	2008	2009	2009		2010
	Revised	Actual	Proposed	REVISED		Proposal
		Unaudited	Adopted		Notes	
PROPERTY FUND						
Department 700						
Income						
Upstairs-UCDMC	78,221.00	78,189.03	78,000	78,200	31	73,075
Downstairs 2101 Stockton	0.00	0.00	0	0	32	
Wisteria/Training Room	0.00	0.00	0	0		
GBO Bldg -FFBI	48,525.76	23,440.00	28,128	24,000	32	
GBO - Crossroads	13,152.40	13,152.40		0	32	
GBO-Other/UCD	10,000.00	10,277.67	10,495	10,495		9,713

GBO- CU	12,500.00	13,957.25	15,000	3,750	32	
Parking	400.00	0.00	0	0		
Utility Reimbursement		8,940.66	7,000	7,000		8,000
Total Income	162,799.16	147,957.01	138,623	123,445		90,788
Expenses						
Staff Salary	20,000.00	20,063.70	0	0		0
Benefits	2,550.00	2,043.10	0	0		0
Payroll Taxes	1,800.00	1,131.55	0	0		0
WComp Ins	750.00		0	0		0
Legal	1,000.00	0.00	0	0		0
Postage/Supplies	100.00	0.75	0	0		0
Repair/Maint. Upstairs	7,000.00	7,972.25	7,000	7,000		7,000
Repairs/Main. Downstairs	2,500.00	780.47	200	200		1,500
Repair/Maint. GBO	6,000.00	10,354.54	6,000	6,000		3,000
Taxes Upstairs/Downstairs	5,000.00	2,085.76	2,900	2,900		0
Taxes GBO	2,500.00	1,337.72	2,100	2,100		0
Lucerne Valley Expense	0.00		0	0	33	0
Fair Valley Expenses	0.00		0	0	33	0
Utilities Upstairs	0.00	8,146.87	0	8,000		8,000
Utilities Downstairs-2101	0.00	6,434.10	0	2,500		2,000
Utilities GBO	11,000.00	10,510.17	11,000	7,500		1,000
2101 Stockton Blvd	0.00	165.00	0	0		
Total Expenses	60,200.00	71,025.98	29,200	36,200		22,500
Net:	102,599.16	76,931.03	109,423	87,245		68,288

California State Grange
Check Register of Type(s): Cleared, Outstanding, Other
Sorted by Check Number
(Report period: October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009)

Check Number	Date	Name	Net Amount
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Cash Account #6 [W.Fargo- Operating]			
EFT	04/20/09	The Gas Company	117.48
EFT	08/25/09	Southern California Edison	131.06
EFT	06/18/09	Southern California Edison	276.82
EFT	03/30/09	The Gas Company	209.03
EFT	11/12/08	Grange Insurance Association	174.67
EFT	04/23/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	148.96
EFT	03/02/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	279.80
EFT	08/24/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	69.95
EFT	08/24/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	69.95
EFT	06/03/09	The Gas Company	74.67
EFT	02/13/09	The Gas Company	580.98
EFT	08/25/09	The Gas Company	20.21
EFT	03/02/09	The Gas Company	230.00
EFT	12/10/08	Dana Hollmer	461.52
EFT	08/25/09	SMUD	455.29
EFT	08/25/09	SMUD	296.50
EFT	08/25/09	SMUD	156.70
EFT	08/25/09	SMUD	76.21
EFT	08/25/09	SMUD	15.58
EFT	02/20/09	Anthem Blue Cross	1089.00
EFT	05/19/09	Office Equipment Finance Services	325.85
EFT	06/18/09	Office Equipment Finance Services	325.85
EFT	04/21/09	Waste Management of Sacramento	831.39
EFT	08/25/09	SMUD	915.09
EFT	08/24/09	Office Equipment Finance Services	330.97
EFT	12/11/08	Avaya Financial Services	778.05
EFT	05/22/09	PG&E	52.45
EFT	08/25/09	908Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	48.75
EFT	05/22/09	PG&E	178.58
EFT	06/18/09	Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	98.23
EFT	05/22/09	PG&E	25.00
EFT	03/26/09	PG&E	182.38
EFT	03/26/09	PG&E	527.32
EFT	08/25/09	SMUD	2260.15
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EFT	08/25/09	PG&E	79.35
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EFT	08/25/09	PG&E	30.79
EFT	08/07/09	American Express	1244.31
EFT	03/11/09	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	1609.95
EFT	12/16/08	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	3783.04
EFT	07/20/09	American Express	10.57
EFT	07/16/09	American Express	706.00
EFT	08/25/09	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	1331.86
EFT	09/29/09	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	1331.83
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EFT	04/19/09	American Express	496.17
EFT	04/19/09	American Express	1717.63
EFT	09/18/09	American Express	1197.63
EFT	03/02/09	SMUD	3468.75
EFT	08/24/09	AICCO, Inc.	150.17
EFT	01/13/09	AICCO, Inc.	143.02
EFT	12/03/08	AICCO, Inc.	293.19
EFT	02/24/09	AICCO, Inc.	143.02
EFT	05/22/09	AICCO, Inc.	143.02
EFT	06/29/09	AICCO, Inc.	286.04
618	10/01/08	Mountain Reading Service	9.50
619	10/01/08	Swan Insurance Agency	594.88
620	10/02/08	Abe Janitorial Supply Company	289.62
621	10/02/08	Admail West	383.80
622	10/02/08	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	55.10
623	10/02/08	AT & T Mobility	138.28
624	10/02/08	Inger Bevans	211.12
625	10/02/08	Anthem Blue Cross	1079.00
626	10/02/08	Anthem Blue Cross	252.00
627	10/02/08	CDS Consulting	3500.00
628	10/02/08	City of Fowler	204.53
629	10/02/08	City of Coalinga	70.13
630	10/02/08	Clark Pest Control	345.00
631	10/02/08	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	255.30
632	10/02/08	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	42.10
633	10/02/08	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	2383.50
634	10/02/08	City of Sacramento	456.40
635	10/02/08	Southern California Edison	168.57
636	10/02/08	Fairfield Inn & Suites	170.00
637	10/02/08	Frank L. Freitas	626.92
638	10/02/08	George Gudie Heating & Air	203.10
639	10/02/08	Holiday Inn Sacramento	10000.00
640	10/02/08	Boden Klein & Sneesby	3945.00
641	10/02/08	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	34.80
642	10/02/08	Randall Lewis	1262.12
643	10/02/08	Marco	743.50
644	10/02/08	*Bob Clouse	394.87
645	10/02/08	Monte Vista Water District	29.48
646	10/02/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
647	10/02/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50

648	10/02/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
649	10/02/08	The National Grange 0.00	322.00
650	10/02/08	O1 Communications 0.00	319.95
651	10/02/08	Office Depot 0.00	554.16
652	10/02/08	Office Supplies Unlimited	501.40
653	10/02/08	Pacific Legal Foundation	93.92
654	10/02/08	Pacific Power	78.56
655	10/02/08	Louise Palmer	33.89
656	10/02/08	PG&E	164.75
657	10/02/08	Pitney Bowes Global	264.53
658	10/02/08	*Planeteria	39.95
659	10/02/08	Principal Life Group	96.64
660	10/02/08	Quill Corporation	67.87
661	10/02/08	Ripon Grange #511	6484.76
662	10/02/08	Silbar, & Parker, LLP	1298.00
663	10/02/08	SMUD	2417.98
664	10/02/08	*Sonoma Pins Etc. Co.	540.71
665	10/02/08	State Compensation Insurance Fund	258.83
666	10/02/08	UPS	27.47
667	10/02/08	Verizon California	5.18
668	10/02/08	*Card Service Center	1830.90
669	10/02/08	Card Service Center	567.93
670	10/02/08	*Card Servie Center	210.76
671	10/02/08	*Card Service Center	215.27
672	10/02/08	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	107.60
673	10/02/08	Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	49.48
674	10/02/08	Voided: Reprinted	
674	10/02/08	WinNet Technologies, Inc.	1013.58
675	10/02/08	Voided: Reprinted	
676	10/02/08	Waste Management of Sacramento	846.63
677	10/02/08	Water Education Foundation	420.23
678	10/02/08	WinNet Technologies, Inc.	Voided
679	10/02/08	Russell Harris	13.10
680	10/02/08	Whitesboro Grange #766	40.00
681	10/06/08	James Clute	1200.00
682	10/06/08	Joint Ethics Committee	35.00
683	10/10/08	Buckmaster Imaging Systems	456.00
684	10/10/08	*Card Service Center	1637.96
685	10/10/08	Card Service Center	6.75
686	10/10/08	*Card Service Center	2000.00
687	10/10/08	*Card Servie Center	357.68
688	10/10/08	*Card Service Center	130.92
691	12/03/08	United States Postal Service	2500.00
692	12/03/08	The National Grange	21585.00
693	12/09/08	CDS Consulting	3500.00
694	12/09/08	Secretary of State	25.00
696	10/22/08	Blodgett Catering	1262.00
697	10/22/08	*Sacramento Banjo Band	400.00
698	10/22/08	Randall Lewis	2485.73
699	10/30/08	James W. McDaniel	437.00
700	11/11/08	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	2704.61
702	11/11/08	PG&E	121.76
704	11/13/08	Abe Janitorial Supply Company	86.18
705	11/13/08	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	30.55
706	11/13/08	Arbeez Plumbing	435.00
707	11/13/08	AT & T Mobility	143.67
708	11/13/08	AT&T	455.79
709	11/13/08	Kalie Benson	58.15
710	11/13/08	Anthem Blue Cross	1079.00
711	11/13/08	City of Fowler	52.25
712	11/13/08	City of Coalinga	70.13
713	11/13/08	Clark Pest Control	165.00

714	11/13/08	City of Sacramento	734.95
715	11/13/08	Delta Energy Lighting &	200.00
716	11/13/08	Southern California Edison	283.71
717	11/13/08	Voided	
718	11/13/08	Daniel Goss	226.25
719	11/13/08	GreenWaste of Tehama	52.71
720	11/13/08	Humanadental Ins. Co.	264.12
721	11/13/08	Boden Klein & Sneesby	7975.00
722	11/13/08	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	34.80
723	11/13/08	Summer Maddux	116.12
724	11/13/08	Monroe Classic, Inc.	146.26
725	11/13/08	O1 Communications	725.70
726	11/13/08	Office Depot	72.99
727	11/13/08	Pacific Power	190.40
728	11/13/08	PG&E	199.52
729	11/13/08	Pitney Bowes Global	2020.32
730	11/13/08	*Planeteria	79.90
731	11/13/08	Principal Life Group	48.32
732	11/13/08	Amy Self	543.58
733	11/13/08	Smith, Silbar, & Parker, LLP	1337.92
734	11/13/08	*Sonoma Pins Etc. Co.	528.48
735	11/13/08	Swan Insurance Agency	94.50
736	11/13/08	TBS Sportswear & Promotions	313.23
737	11/13/08	*Card Service Center	3190.92
738	11/13/08	*Card Service Center	528.92
739	11/13/08	*Card Service Center	161.95
740	11/13/08	*Card Service Center 0.00	23.23
741	11/13/08	Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	49.48
742	11/13/08	Waste Management of Sacramento	408.56
743	11/13/08	WinNet Technologies, Inc.	1706.23
744	11/17/08	Franchise Tax Board	10.00
745	11/18/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
746	11/18/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
747	11/18/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
748	11/24/08	State Compensation Insurance Fund	331.72
749	11/24/08	State Compensation Insurance Fund	357.75
750	11/25/08	Secretary of State	40.00
751	11/25/08	Secretary of State	40.00
752	11/25/08	State Compensation Insurance Fund	735.00
753	12/02/08	Holiday Inn Sacramento	26794.15
754	12/09/08	Bettyann Biringner-Rehm	64.00
755	12/09/08	Anthem Blue Cross	1079.00
756	12/09/08	Bill Compton	83.62
757	12/09/08	Dick Larsen	651.01
758	12/09/08	Dick Larsen	926.43
759	12/09/08	Vicki Crow, C.P.A.	518.08
760	12/09/08	Vicki Crow, C.P.A.	246.30
761	12/09/08	Humanadental Ins. Co.	279.80
762	12/09/08	Lake County Tax Collector	216.34
763	12/09/08	Marco	462.90
764	12/09/08	Merced Co. Treasurer-Tax Collector	243.06
765	12/09/08	Office Depot	197.47
766	12/09/08	Sacramento County	6243.63
767	12/09/08	Frank L. Freitas, CPA	529.27
768	12/09/08	Sonoma County Tax Collector	377.52
769	12/09/08	Tulare County	282.32
770	12/09/08	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	107.60
771	12/09/08	Westamerica Bank	35.00
772	12/10/08	C. Linda Barnes	131.11
773	12/10/08	C. Linda Barnes	638.14
777	12/11/08	Randall Lewis	1319.96
778	12/11/08	Cheryl Knoch	Voided

779	12/11/08	Kalie Benson	41.01
780	12/11/08	Dana Hollmer	795.98
781	12/11/08	Bob McFarland	634.03
782	12/11/08	Dana Hollmer	0.00
783	12/17/08	SMUD	3494.92
784	12/17/08	Bob McFarland	100.00
785	12/17/08	Randall Lewis	100.00
786	12/17/08	Kalie Benson	100.00
787	12/17/08	Summer Maddux	100.00
788	12/17/08	Amy Self	100.00
789	12/17/08	Jay Hartz	100.00
790	12/17/08	The National Grange	45.00
791	12/18/08	Lola Adamczak	41.93
792	12/18/08	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	68.93
793	12/18/08	Patty Allen	229.80
794	12/18/08	Amerigas- Lakeport	81.51
795	12/18/08	*Xpedx Stores Division	27.05
796	12/18/08	AT&T	106.11
797	12/18/08	*Shirley Baker	Voided
798	12/18/08	Anthem Blue Cross	252.00
799	12/18/08	City of Fowler	108.16
800	12/18/08	Clark Pest Control	165.00
801	12/18/08	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	97.20
802	12/18/08	Robert Clouse	247.19
803	12/18/08	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	76.20
804	12/18/08	Betty J. Crile	67.20
805	12/18/08	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	1191.75
806	12/18/08	City of Sacramento	173.80
807	12/18/08	Sandra Dyer	13.16
808	12/18/08	Southern California Edison	97.45
809	12/18/08	Daniel Goss	190.00
810	12/18/08	Boden Klein & Sneesby	4425.00
811	12/18/08	Kone Inc.	622.17
812	12/18/08	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	32.16
813	12/18/08	*Orangevale Grange #354	30.00
814	12/18/08	*Orangevale Grange #354	30.00
815	12/18/08	Mission Country Disposal	58.14
816	12/18/08	Monte Vista Water District	25.71
817	12/18/08	Suzanne Moramarco	138.32
818	12/18/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
819	12/18/08	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
820	12/18/08	Thomas A. Nickens, Inc.	125.00
821	12/18/08	Office Depot	735.62
822	12/18/08	Louise Palmer	78.70
823	12/18/08	PG&E	620.50
824	12/18/08	Pitney Bowes Global	10.03
825	12/18/08	Principal Life Group	48.32
826	12/18/08	Quill Corporation	28.09
827	12/18/08	Ragan Communications	29.95
828	12/18/08	Sylvia Sloan	69.16
829	12/18/08	Troop 390	50.00
830	12/18/08	UPS	27.72
831	12/18/08	Mary Victorine	28.00
832	12/18/08	Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	98.93
833	12/18/08	Water Education Foundation	100.00
834	12/18/08	WinNet Technologies, Inc.	1860.35
837	01/08/09	*Card Service Center	4176.01
838	01/08/09	*Card Service Center	70.46
839	01/08/09	*Card Servie Center	108.75
840	01/08/09	*Card Service Center	481.78
841	01/08/09	Richard Saxe	5788.06
842	01/12/09	Randall Lewis	1095.12

846	01/14/09	Abe Janitorial Supply Company	175.16
847	01/14/09	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	2.81
848	01/14/09	AT & T Mobility	143.40
849	01/14/09	AT&T	147.44
850	01/14/09	Anthem Blue Cross 0	1079.00
851	01/14/09	Board of Equalization	252.00
852	01/14/09	Capitol Webworks, LLC	120.00
853	01/14/09	Norman Carpadus	44.94
854	01/14/09	CDS Consulting	1000.00
855	01/14/09	California Chamber of Commerce	149.68
856	01/14/09	City of Fowler	53.25
857	01/14/09	City of Coalinga	144.13
858	01/14/09	Clark Pest Control	510.00
859	01/14/09	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	118.86
860	01/14/09	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	38.10
861	01/14/09	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	2383.50
862	01/14/09	City of Sacramento	725.87
863	01/14/09	Delta Energy Lighting &	340.93
864	01/14/09	DMV Renewal	139.00
865	01/14/09	Southern California Edison	107.41
866	01/14/09	California FFA Foundation	1400.00
867	01/14/09	Daniel Goss	210.00
868	01/14/09	GreenWaste of Tehama	52.71
869	01/14/09	George Gudie Heating & Air	398.50
870	01/14/09	Herburger Publications, Inc.	765.19
871	01/14/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	279.80
872	01/14/09	Boden Klein & Sneesby	550.00
873	01/14/09	Larry Kroger	1318.76
874	01/14/09	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	64.20
875	01/14/09	Matheny Sears Linkert & Jaime LLP	840.00
876	01/14/09	Mission Country Disposal	26.57
877	01/14/09	*Margaret Messick Consulting	850.00
878	01/14/09	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
879	01/14/09	The National Grange	160.00
880	01/14/09	O1 Communications	644.70
881	01/14/09	Office Supplies Unlimited	167.98
882	01/14/09	Pacific Power	248.82
883	01/14/09	PG&E	127.50
884	01/14/09	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	1352.29
885	01/14/09	Pitney Bowes Global	121.21
886	01/14/09	*Planeteria	39.95
887	01/14/09	United States Postal Service	180.00
888	01/14/09	Principal Life Group	48.32
889	01/14/09	Salle Orchards	825.00
890	01/14/09	Smith, Silbar, & Parker, LLP	.90
891	01/14/09	SMUD	1686.92
892	01/14/09	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	53.80
893	01/14/09	Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	48.75
894	01/14/09	Waste Management of Sacramento	801.47
895	01/20/09	Ed Lacroix	2300.00
896	01/20/09	Lola Adamczak	Voided
897	12/31/08	Asbarah Banik	34.00
898	12/31/08	Sea Jay Bates	154.00
899	12/31/08	Inger Bevans	7.00
900	12/31/08	Julia Bowen	5.00
901	12/31/08	Cheri Bunker	27.00
902	12/31/08	Cee Cauckwell	3.00
903	12/31/08	Barbara Chism	20.00
904	12/31/08	Andrew Donahue	8.00
905	12/31/08	Kendra Donahue	50.00
906	12/31/08	Kiera Donahue	93.00
907	12/31/08	Madison Donahue	22.00

908	12/31/08	Shavonne Donahue	53.00
909	12/31/08	Chris Duncel	16.00
910	12/31/08	Ingrid Duncel	11.00
911	12/31/08	Missy Duncel	29.00
912	12/31/08	Alicia Eaves	3.00
913	12/31/08	Alyna Eaves	7.00
914	12/31/08	Olivia Eaves	7.00
915	12/31/08	BJ Fitzpatrick	272.00
916	12/31/08	Kevin Fontana	8.00
917	12/31/08	Sandi Fontana	114.00
918	12/31/08	Sarah Fontana	8.00
919	12/31/08	Kimberly Gardner	3.00
920	12/31/08	Rebecca Graham	8.00
921	12/31/08	Carlene Hadden	14.00
922	12/31/08	Jeremy Heckman	184.00
923	12/31/08	Karen Heckman	129.00
924	12/31/08	Katie Heckman	70.00
925	12/31/08	Auda Hill	5.00
926	12/31/08	Carl Johnson	3.00
927	12/31/08	Jane Kachell	13.00
928	12/31/08	Ileshia Kniggee	23.00
929	12/31/08	Jean Knigee	25.00
930	12/31/08	Matt Knigee	17.00
931	12/31/08	Lola Adamczak	33.00
932	12/31/08	Stephanie Knigge	12.00
933	12/31/08	Marta Kroger	46.00
934	12/31/08	Hayley LaFrance	8.00
935	12/31/08	Shelley LaFrance	28.00
936	12/31/08	Jenna Lathrop	10.00
937	12/31/08	Dorothy Long	2.00
938	12/31/08	Linda MacCracken	2.00
939	12/31/08	Susan Megeath	7.00
940	12/31/08	Lucette Moramarco	82.00
941	12/31/08	Nancy Moramarco	80.00
942	12/31/08	Suzanne Moramarco	83.00
943	12/31/08	Theresa Palma	3.00
944	12/31/08	Ruth Polman	5.00
945	12/31/08	Rainbow Valley Grange	100.00
946	12/31/08	Rainbow Valley Junior Grange	100.00
947	12/31/08	Liz Reynolds	22.00
948	12/31/08	Ayla Robinson	12.00
949	12/31/08	H.F. Tom Sawyer	5.00
950	12/31/08	Jan Strecker	8.00
951	12/31/08	California State Grange	118.00
952	01/28/09	California Foundation for Agriculture	500.00
953	02/06/09	The National Grange	307.40
955	02/12/09	Karen Allred	131.60
956	02/12/09	Inger Bevans	151.00
957	02/12/09	Bettyann Biringer-Rehm	116.40
958	02/12/09	Betty Eycler	109.50
959	02/12/09	Randall Lewis	318.42
960	02/12/09	The National Grange	25.00
961	02/12/09	United States Postal Service	2000.00
962	02/12/09	Henry Strock	31.13
963	02/12/09	Jack Surmani	218.30
964	02/12/09	Joe White	30.80
967	02/19/09	Dale Baker	79.50
970	02/25/09	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
971	02/25/09	*Morgan Stanely	192.50
972	02/25/09	*Morgan Stanely	142.50
973	02/25/09	*Morgan Stanely	142.50
974	02/25/09	*Card Service Center	1374.72

975	02/25/09	*Card Service Center	760.97
976	02/25/09	*Card Service Center	257.85
977	02/25/09	*Card Service Center 0.00	100.53
978	02/25/09	State Compensation Insurance Fund	374.08
979	02/26/09	Randall Lewis	1326.17
980	02/27/09	CDS Consulting	5420.43
984	03/03/09	Abe Janitorial Supply Company	120.80
985	03/03/09	Admail West	373.93
986	03/03/09	AICCO, Inc.	143.02
987	03/03/09	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	30.15
988	03/03/09	*Xpedx Stores Division	943.97
989	03/03/09	AT & T Mobility	70.08
990	03/03/09	AT&T	97.88
991	03/03/09	Anthem Blue Cross	625.00
992	03/03/09	Capitol Webworks, LLC	165.00
993	03/03/09	Norman Carpadus	23.40
994	03/03/09	City of Fowler	79.60
995	03/03/09	City of Coalinga	122.83
996	03/03/09	Clark Pest Control	165.00
997	03/03/09	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	287.77
998	03/03/09	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	8.32
999	03/03/09	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	1341.75
1000	03/03/09	California State Grange Foundation	242.00
1001	03/03/09	California State Grange	105.70
1002	03/03/09	City of Sacramento	340.42
1003	03/03/09	Southern California Edison	100.28
1004	03/03/09	Fairfield Inn & Suites	3374.23
1005	03/03/09	Friends Of The Kelley Farm	157.00
1006	03/03/09	Daniel Goss	241.25
1007	03/03/09	George Gudie Heating & Air	311.34
1008	03/03/09	Herburger Publications, Inc.	910.00
1009	03/03/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	139.90
1010	03/03/09	Jeremy Sheffield	275.00
1011	03/03/09	Kone Inc.	666.72
1012	03/03/09	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	31.69
1013	03/03/09	Make A Wish Foundation	191.00
1014	03/03/09	Matheny Sears Linkert & Jaime LLP	260.00
1015	03/03/09	McDonald Plumbing Heating & Air	169.00
1016	03/03/09	Bob McFarland	286.60
1017	03/03/09	*B.J. Fitzpatrick	25.00
1018	03/03/09	Mission Country Disposal	26.57
1019	03/03/09	Monte Vista Water District	25.28
1020	03/03/09	The National Grange	53.00
1021	03/03/09	Newspaper In Education	250.00
1022	03/03/09	O1 Communications	319.95
1023	03/03/09	Office Depot	146.27
1024	03/03/09	Office Supplies Unlimited	335.96
1025	03/03/09	Pacific Power	125.19
1026	03/03/09	Leslie Parker	85.61
1027	03/03/09	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	2420.20
1028	03/03/09	Pitney Bowes Global	2141.53
1029	03/03/09	*Planeteria	79.90
1030	03/03/09	Principal Life Group	72.48
1031	03/03/09	Quill Corporation	117.32
1032	03/03/09	Sacramento Fire Extinguisher Co., Inc.	110.00
1033	03/03/09	Howard Sihner	28.96
1034	03/03/09	Smith, Silbar, & Parker, LLP	1509.50
1035	03/03/09	UC Davis	1217.55
1036	03/03/09	UPS	12.62
1037	03/03/09	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	67.25
1038	03/03/09	Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	48.75
1039	03/03/09	Waste Management of Sacramento	417.07

1040	03/03/09	Zodiac Janitorial Service	105.00
1041	03/04/09	PG&E	57.25
1042	03/05/09	Troop 390	150.00
1043	03/09/09	Louie's Resturant	100.00
1045	03/11/09	City of Coalinga	117.86
1046	03/11/09	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	119.98
1047	03/11/09	Lake County Lock & Safe	119.40
1048	03/11/09	*Margaret Messick Consulting	488.75
1049	03/11/09	PG&E	274.00
1050	03/11/09	WinNet Technologies, Inc.	3429.47
1051	03/11/09	Calaveras Grange #715	9224.40
1052	03/19/09	Summer L. Maddux	Voided
1054	03/19/09	Summer L. Maddux	379.60
1055	03/19/09	Summer L. Maddux	99.89
1056	03/23/09	Dave Acosta	500.00
1057	03/23/09	Randall Lewis	1080.00
1058	03/26/09	Randall Lewis	806.12
1059	03/26/09	The National Grange	Voided
1060	03/26/09	The National Grange	Voided
1060	03/26/09	The National Grange	21520.00
1061	03/31/09	*Card Service Center	1250.94
1062	03/31/09	*Card Service Center	25.84
1063	03/31/09	*Card Service Center	70.36
1064	03/31/09	Secretary of State	20.00
1065	03/31/09	River City Staffing	2811.60
1066	04/03/09	Secretary of State	20.00
1067	04/03/09	Secretary of State	20.00
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1071	04/08/09	C. Linda Barnes	638.14
1072	04/08/09	C. Linda Barnes	131.11
1073	04/08/09	Del Norte County Tax Collector	356.91
1074	04/08/09	Dick Larsen	650.99
1075	04/08/09	Dick Larsen	926.41
1076	04/08/09	Vicki Crow, C.P.A.	246.30
1077	04/08/09	Vicki Crow, C.P.A.	518.08
1078	04/08/09	Lake County Tax Collector	216.34
1079	04/08/09	Merced Co. Treasurer-Tax Collector	243.06
1080	04/08/09	Sacramento County	6243.63
1081	04/08/09	Frank L. Freitas, CPA	529.27
1082	04/08/09	Sonoma County Tax Collector	377.52
1083	04/08/09	Dana Hollmer	129.18
1084	04/08/09	Tulare County	282.32
1085	04/08/09	AICCO, Inc.	143.02
1086	04/08/09	City of Coalinga	85.61
1087	04/08/09	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	95.31
1088	04/08/09	Gist Silversmiths	876.00
1089	04/08/09	Grange Insurance Association	27.00
1090	04/08/09	O1 Communications	644.70
1091	04/08/09	Office Equipment Finance Services	300.96
1092	04/08/09	Principal Life Group	12.08
1093	04/08/09	SMUD	1770.16
1094	04/08/09	*Card Service Center	792.30
1095	04/08/09	*Card Service Center	65.17
1096	04/08/09	*Card Service Center	483.44
1097	04/08/09	*Card Service Center	75.25
1098	04/08/09	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	13.45
1099	04/17/09	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	799.72
1102	04/23/09	Abe Janitorial Supply Company	121.71
1103	04/23/09	Admail West	359.15
1104	04/23/09	ADP, Inc.	87.50

1105	04/23/09	*Alarm Works/NAS	169.80
1106	04/23/09	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	7.71
1107	04/23/09	AT & T Mobility	141.90
1108	04/23/09	AT&T	120.57
1109	04/23/09	Carrie Lynn Behler	11.40
1110	04/23/09	Anthem Blue Cross	1260.00
1111	04/23/09	Buckmaster Imaging Systems	277.94
1112	04/23/09	Capital Press	85.00
1113	04/23/09	Capital Advantage	2500.00
1114	04/23/09	CDS Consulting	2000.00
1115	04/23/09	Clark Pest Control	510.00
1116	04/23/09	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	49.59
1117	04/23/09	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	2383.50
1118	04/23/09	City of Sacramento	691.73
1119	04/23/09	Keri DeGraw	28.41
1120	04/23/09	Southern California Edison	114.65
1121	04/23/09	Fairfield Inn & Suites	951.69
1122	04/23/09	Daniel Goss	570.00
1123	04/23/09	Grange Insurance Association	200.00
1124	04/23/09	George Gudie Heating & Air	436.44
1125	04/23/09	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	64.24
1126	04/23/09	Matheny Sears Linkert & Jaime LLP	3578.00
1127	04/23/09	Margaret Messick	935.00
1128	04/23/09	Monroe Classic, Inc.	327.38
1129	04/23/09	Monte Vista Water District	40.63
1130	04/23/09	*Morgan Stanely	132.50
1131	04/23/09	*Morgan Stanely	102.50
1132	04/23/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1133	04/23/09	The National Grange	Voided
1134	04/23/09	Thomas A. Nickens, Inc.	2324.00
1135	04/23/09	Office Depot	541.20
1136	04/23/09	Office Supplies Unlimited	167.98
1137	04/23/09	Pacific Legal Foundation	8.49
1138	04/23/09	Pacific Power	253.16
1139	04/23/09	PG&E	44.48
1140	04/23/09	Pitney Bowes Global	2117.71
1141	04/23/09	*Planeteria	79.90
1142	04/23/09	Principal Life Group	12.08
1143	04/23/09	Prunedale Grange # 388	739.73
1144	04/23/09	River City Staffing	2217.60
1145	04/23/09	Secretary of State	330.00
1146	04/23/09	Secretary of State	100.00
1147	04/23/09	Smith, Silbar, & Parker, LLP	7814.87
1148	04/23/09	Henry Strock	42.56
1149	04/23/09	UPS	101.31
1150	05/01/09	Bob McFarland	2770.87
1151	05/07/09	*Sandra Wolfe	71.70
1152	05/07/09	Secretary of State	20.00
1153	05/12/09	United States Postal Service	2500.00
1155	05/20/09	Big Valley FCU	1674.32
1156	05/20/09	Big Valley FCU	113.93
1157	05/20/09	Big Valley FCU	354.89
1158	05/20/09	Big Valley FCU	94.31
1161	05/26/09	Comfort Inn & Suites	429.09
1162	05/26/09	River City Staffing	2994.75
1163	05/26/09	SMUD	1446.81
1164	05/26/09	Shriners Hospital	500.00
1165	05/26/09	Robert Clouse	170.08
1166	05/27/09	Betty Eyler	58.26
1167	05/27/09	Office Depot	164.43
1168	05/27/09	State Compensation Insurance Fund	425.69
1169	06/03/09	The National Grange	19947.50

1170	06/04/09	Anthem Blue Cross	625.00
1171	06/04/09	CDS Consulting	5646.09
1172	06/04/09	City of Fowler	116.62
1173	06/04/09	City of Coalinga	148.00
1174	06/04/09	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	208.52
1175	06/04/09	Comm Partners Connect	178.19
1176	06/04/09	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	86.60
1177	06/04/09	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	31.65
1178	06/04/09	River City Staffing	1584.00
1179	06/04/09	Waste Management of Sacramento	414.72
1180	06/04/09	*Alarm Works/NAS	34.95
1181	06/04/09	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	26.09
1182	06/04/09	AT & T Mobility	72.69
1183	06/04/09	Daniel Goss	221.25
1184	06/04/09	George Gudie Heating & Air	106.56
1185	06/04/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1186	06/04/09	O1 Communications	324.89
1187	06/04/09	Pacific Power	112.10
1188	06/04/09	SMUD	1628.97
1189	06/04/09	UPS	68.23
1190	06/04/09	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	13.45
1192	06/18/09	A Storage City - SAC	623.50
1193	06/18/09	Abe Janitorial Supply Company	554.69
1194	06/18/09	ADP, Inc.	43.75
1195	06/18/09	*Alarm Works/NAS	34.95
1196	06/18/09	AT & T Mobility	71.59
1197	06/18/09	AT&T	91.29
1198	06/18/09	Capitol Webworks, LLC	120.00
1199	06/18/09	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	1191.75
1200	06/18/09	City of Sacramento	362.50
1201	06/18/09	Sandra Dyer	20.16
1202	06/18/09	George Gudie Heating & Air	570.26
1203	06/18/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	69.95
1204	06/18/09	Kone Inc.	666.72
1205	06/18/09	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	32.12
1206	06/18/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1207	06/18/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1208	06/18/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1209	06/18/09	O1 Communications	324.82
1210	06/18/09	Office Depot	258.18
1211	06/18/09	Pacific Power	105.85
1212	06/18/09	PG&E	60.76
1213	06/18/09	*Planeteria	39.95
1214	06/18/09	Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	1000.00
1215	06/18/09	River City Staffing	1425.60
1216	06/18/09	Sacramento Fire Extinguisher Co., Inc.	37.00
1217	06/18/09	Troop 390	150.00
1218	06/18/09	UPS	73.46
1219	06/18/09	Waste Management of Sacramento	417.07
1220	06/18/09	Western Fairs Association	125.00
1221	06/24/09	PG&E	17.83
1222	06/25/09	The National Grange	10.00
1224	07/01/09	City Of Sacramento	65.00
1225	07/08/09	Randall Lewis	360.76
1226	07/09/09	Tri County Pump	700.00
1227	07/10/09	*Montana State Grange	250.00
1228	07/15/09	CDS Consulting	1528.50
1229	07/15/09	Keri DeGraw	53.71
1230	07/15/09	Bob McFarland	2223.20
1231	07/15/09	Amy Self	540.00
1232	07/16/09	Admail West	372.39
1233	07/16/09	ADP, Inc.	43.75

1234	07/16/09	*Alarm Works/NAS	104.85
1235	07/16/09	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	41.36
1236	07/16/09	Anthem Blue Cross	625.00
1237	07/16/09	Clark Pest Control	510.00
1238	07/16/09	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	92.53
1239	07/16/09	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	47.30
1240	07/16/09	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	1191.75
1241	07/16/09	City of Sacramento	368.91
1242	07/16/09	Ed Lacroix	2400.00
1243	07/16/09	Betty Eyer	386.95
1244	07/16/09	Herburger Publications, Inc.	945.00
1245	07/16/09	Humanadental Ins. Co.	69.95
1246	07/16/09	Matheny Sears Linkert & Jaime LLP	12.00
1247	07/16/09	Monroe Classic, Inc.	511.34
1248	07/16/09	Monte Vista Water District	51.49
1249	07/16/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1250	07/16/09	The National Grange	58.00
1251	07/16/09	Office Equipment Finance Services	254.59
1252	07/16/09	PG&E	115.15
1253	07/16/09	*Planeteria	39.95
1254	07/16/09	Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	110.71
1255	07/16/09	Principal Life Group	24.16
1256	07/16/09	Prunedale Grange # 388	724.93
1257	07/16/09	River City Staffing	1584.00
1258	07/16/09	Smith, Silbar, & Parker, LLP	1843.70
1259	07/16/09	SMUD	1713.25
1260	07/16/09	UPS	106.96
1261	07/16/09	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	26.90
1262	07/22/09	ADP, Inc.	43.75
1263	07/22/09	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	15.31
1264	07/22/09	AT & T Mobility	70.63
1265	07/22/09	AT&T	46.05
1266	07/22/09	City of Fowler	48.97
1267	07/22/09	City of Coalinga	74.02
1268	07/22/09	Clark Pest Control	165.00
1269	07/22/09	Comm Partners Connect	178.83
1270	07/22/09	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	1215.27
1271	07/22/09	City of Sacramento 0.00	475.78
1272	07/22/09	Southern California Edison	169.80
1273	07/22/09	Family Water Alliance	35.00
1274	07/22/09	David Glidden	61.49
1275	07/22/09	Daniel Goss	501.25
1276	07/22/09	George Gudie Heating & Air	127.51
1277	07/22/09	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	31.65
1278	07/22/09	Monroe Classic, Inc.	60.90
1279	07/22/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1280	07/22/09	Myron Corp.	479.70
1281	07/22/09	The National Grange	14.00
1282	07/22/09	O1 Communications	319.95
1283	07/22/09	Pacific Power	94.46
1284	07/22/09	PG&E	52.60
1285	07/22/09	Philadelphia Insurance Companies	3956.50
1286	07/22/09	Pitney Bowes Global	2039.07
1287	07/22/09	Project A/Planeteria Housing	39.95
1288	07/22/09	River City Staffing	2178.00
1289	07/22/09	Rogelio Tamayo's Yard Service	250.00
1290	07/22/09	Smith, Silbar, & Parker, LLP	678.50
1291	07/22/09	The Gas Company	25.88
1292	07/22/09	Waste Connections-Cntrl Valley	48.75
1293	07/22/09	Waste Management of Sacramento	423.79
1294	08/05/09	Radisson Hotel & Conference	1000.00
1295	08/12/09	Randall Lewis	1828.85

1296	08/13/09	American Express	Voided
1297	08/13/09	WinNet Technologies, Inc.	1545.45
1298	08/13/09	Margaret Messick	170.00
1299	08/18/09	Keri DeGraw	188.59
1301	08/25/09	ADP, Inc.	43.75
1302	08/25/09	*Alarm Works/NAS	15.00
1303	08/25/09	Alhambra & Sierra Springs	26.22
1304	08/25/09	AT & T Mobility	70.63
1305	08/25/09	AT&T	325.01
1306	08/25/09	Anthem Blue Cross	1250.00
1307	08/25/09	Buckmaster Imaging Systems	975.92
1308	08/25/09	Capitol Webworks, LLC	120.00
1309	08/25/09	City of Fowler	42.58
1310	08/25/09	City of Coalinga	70.13
1311	08/25/09	Clark Pest Control	165.00
1312	08/25/09	Clearlake Oaks County Water District	100.96
1313	08/25/09	Crescent City Water/Sewer Dept.	43.30
1314	08/25/09	Crossroads Facility Services, Inc.	1191.75
1315	08/25/09	City of Sacramento	587.14
1316	08/25/09	Andrew P. Dressler	616.25
1317	08/25/09	George Gudie Heating & Air	234.18
1318	08/25/09	Kone Inc.	666.72
1319	08/25/09	Lake County Waste Solutions, Inc.	31.65
1320	08/25/09	Monte Vista Water District	40.74
1321	08/25/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1322	08/25/09	*Morgan Stanely	90.00
1323	08/25/09	O1 Communications	319.95
1324	08/25/09	Office Equipment Finance Services	337.35
1325	08/25/09	Pacific Legal Foundation	100.00
1326	08/25/09	Pacific Power	89.90
1327	08/25/09	PG&E	40.91
1328	08/25/09	Pitney Bowes Inc.	84.80
1329	08/25/09	Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	11.23
1330	08/25/09	United States Postal Service	2000.00
1331	08/25/09	Principal Life Group	24.16
1332	08/25/09	Prunedale Grange # 388	686.22
1333	08/25/09	River City Staffing	475.20
1334	08/25/09	Smith, Silbar, & Parker, LLP	1954.44
1335	08/25/09	UPS	188.63
1336	08/25/09	Vision Service Plan- (CA)	13.45
1337	08/25/09	Waste Management of Sacramento	422.20
1338	08/25/09	Payment Remittance Center	58.95
1339	08/25/09	Payment Remittance Center	54.11
1340	08/25/09	Payment Remittance Center	1244.72
1341	08/27/09	State Compensation Insurance Fund	379.27
1342	08/31/09	Patty Allen	800.62
1343	08/31/09	Camp Tehama	910.00
1344	08/31/09	*Alice Cameron	60.00
1345	08/31/09	CDS Consulting	2542.00
1346	08/31/09	Margaret Messick	2040.00
1347	09/10/09	The National Grange	20650.00
1348	09/22/09	Keri DeGraw	107.83
1349	09/29/09	Randall Lewis	296.72

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 (*) One or more checks have payee names that do not match the name contained within the database record.

Section VI

Resolutions

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2009 Convention

The following resolutions were passed at the 2009 Convention. Those marked “Nat” have been forwarded to National Grange for deliberation at their Convention in November. The Resolution Committees were:

AG	Agriculture
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GA	Grange Activities
GL	Grange Law
H	Health
L&J	Labor and Judiciary
PP	Public Policy
TAX	Taxes and Fiscal Affairs
TR	Transportation
W	Water

These committees will continue to work with resolutions and issues received throughout the year. The Chair of each committee comprises the Legislative Committee chaired by our Legislative Affairs Director and is charged with determining actions to be taken by our advocates with the appropriate government agencies and the Legislature.

AGRICULTURE

09-036-AG – Nat.

Title: Local Farmland Preservation and Food Security

Proposed By: Chico Grange #486

Whereas: The Grange is historically among the foremost supporters of public policies and local practices to protect local agricultural land, family farms, small growers and agricultural processing facilities from development, corporate takeovers, or other threats to continued productivity; and

Whereas: The Grange has shifted much of its attention to other activities in recent decades; and

Whereas: Industrial agriculture has come to dominate food production, replacing most family farms, which have declined to a fraction of their historic levels and continue to decline; and

Whereas: Consumers have been heavily dependent on industrial agriculture and food products grown, produced, and shipped from great distances, which raises costs and often reduces quality; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG and the National Grange reaffirms its primary mission: to support local small scale and family farms as an essential mainstay of local economies and food security, including support for farmers markets, farmland preservation, community gardens, and gardening & food education programs at Grange halls and in Grange communities.

CONSERVATION

09-004-C&EA – Nat.

Title: Forest Fire Management

Proposed By: Mc Cloud Grange #831

Whereas: Prior to the arrival of settlers to western states from other areas, native Americans allowed forest fires to burn themselves out, thus clearing the forest floor of dead tree growth, some underbrush and other debris; and

Whereas: In recent years a great deal of money has been spent and lives lost fighting forest fires in areas where no dwellings are threatened and as currently budget restrictions will reduce the number of fire fighters available; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG and the National Grange support letting forest fires burn themselves out, except in areas where structures are threatened.

09-047-C&EA – Nat.

Title: Utilize Newly Discovered Oil Reserves In America

Proposed By: Gazelle Grange #380

Whereas: The largest oil discovery since Alaska’s Prudhoe Bay occurred in April 2008 and located in North Dakota, western South Dakota and eastern Montana in the section known as the Williston Basin usually referred to as the “Bakken:” and

Whereas: The U.S. Geological Service says there is enough crude oil to meet America’s needs for nearly half a century; and

Whereas: Conscientious environmentalists and verbal members of our major political parties have blocked efforts that could see America independent of foreign oil; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG and the National Grange support geological studies that lead to environmentally safe methods to make use of the newly discovered oil reserves in the Dakotas and Montana until America is no longer dependent on foreign oil and until our nation can be free of dependence on fossil fuel reserves.

09-050 – C&EA

Title: Eliminate Catch and Release Trout Streams

Proposed By: Mc Cloud Grange #831

Whereas: In much of California, many formerly enjoyed trout streams have become catch and release exclusively; and

Whereas: In this time of economic crisis, a couple of trout could help nourish many underemployed or unemployed families; and

Whereas: Many formerly busy mountain resorts are now inactive and have reduced staff as a result of remote streams being off limits to most fishermen; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG strongly support the resolution adopted in 2006 and further mandate that no streams or lakes in California be designated catch and release only; and be it further

Resolved: Those fishermen who are fishing on streams and lakes now be allowed to keep two fish per day except for salmon that may be in mountain streams.

09-059 C&EA

Title: Regulations Pertaining To Inspection Of Septic Systems

Proposed By: Marshall Grange #451

Whereas: The State of California imposes regulations to protect the water quality of the State’s waters; and

Whereas: Such regulations can have a significant cost to people living in rural area of the State with onsite wastewater treatment systems (septic systems); and

Whereas: The State of California has a diversified geology that defies a “one size fits all” regulation. Therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG actively encourage State Legislators and Regulatory bodies to use a tiered approach when proposing regulations regarding onsite domestic wastewater treatment systems (septic systems) that takes into consideration the risk of the system impacting the ground water I the area, with the determination of low, medium and high risk being under local authority control to include the setting of fees, be it county, regional or some other entity that has knowledge of the local conditions.

09-071 C&EA Nat**Title: Opposition To The Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA), North Coast Region Process****Proposed By: Conservation & Environmental Affairs**

Whereas: The North Coast Marine Protection Act process is not responsive to the serious legal, economic and public participation concerns express to the Resources Director by Humboldt, Del Norte, and Mendocino Counties and,

Whereas: The economic study done by Eco Trust stops at the dock and does not adequately address sport fishing or the true economic impacts to the counties as a whole,

Whereas: The MLPA provides no water quality protections, addresses no environmental concerns, is not science based and provides no additional marine habitat protections to the north coast region and,

Whereas: The MLPA will negatively impact fishermen economically, endanger them by increasing travel times, increasing fuel costs and carbon footprint and

Whereas: The California State Game Warden's Association opposes the MLPA due to lack of \$60 million dollars annual funding for maintenance, monitoring and enforcement and,

Whereas: The north coast region with less than 110 fishable days a year is the world leader in proactive fisheries and near shore habitat management. Near shore fish stocks are health and current management practices and regulations make it impossible for any species to be overfished, therefore, be it

Resolved: The California State Grange and the National Grange support Humboldt, Del Norte and Mendocino Counties in opposing the current Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) initiative process in the north coast region so long as it remains unresponsive to local concerns.

EDUCATION**09-038 –E****Title: Need For More Doctors****Proposed By: Kings County Pomona #28**

Whereas: There is a shortage of physicians in the San Joaquin Valley; and

Whereas: Physicians who finish their residency usually work near where they finished the training, and

Whereas: There are 51% fewer primary care physicians and 51% fewer specialists practicing in the San Joaquin Valley area. Our area is growing, the problem will only get worse; and

Whereas: Medical schools enrollment is growing and UC Merced is wants to focus on improving the health of the Valley. Therefore be it

Resolved: The CSG supports the continued planning and development of a medical school at UC Merced.

GRANGE ACTIVITIES**09-002-GA****Title: Support For Re-Organized Granges****Proposed By: Monterey Pomona #17**

Whereas: It is extremely difficult for a group of new members to accept the old debt of a dormant Grange in the process of reorganization; and

Whereas: The purpose of holding funds in trust for surrendered Granges was meant for the reorganization of such Granges; and

Whereas: Reverted funds held in the CSG Asset Management account should then be used to insure the revitalization of a newly reorganized Grange; therefore, be it

Resolved: That reverted funds from the CSG Asset Management Account be first applied to any debt of a newly reorganized Grange (debt outstanding as listed on the Accounts Receivable) beginning October 2009 and the balance of reverted funds to be held in the Grange Hall Loan Fund until needed.

09-029-GA**Title: Acting Upon Resolutions, Motions & Policy**

Proposed By: Sacramento Pomona #2

Whereas: It is the responsibility of the leadership of the CSG to ensure that resolutions, motions and policy adopted by the delegates are carried out. Therefore, be it

Resolved: That the Master and/or Executive Committee shall act upon all resolutions, motions and policy within 120 days of being adopted by the delegates, unless the resolutions, motions or policy state otherwise, or circumstances beyond the control of the State Grange prevent action. The Master and/or Executive Committee will report quarterly in the Grange News and on the website the disposition and action of said policy, resolution or motion. And be it further

Resolved: The Legislative Director or the Executive Committee update the Grange's Legislative Policy Handbook each year and make it available both online and as a disk mailed to the Granges by July 1st following each Annual Convention.

09-039R-GA

Title: Disaster Emergency Preparedness

Proposed By: Freshwater Grange #499

Whereas: The need for disaster planning and emergency preparedness is important to better the outcome given such an event; and

Whereas: Granges can play an important role in coordinating such planning and preparedness in their communities; and

Whereas: The Freshwater Grange has been successful in partnership with the adjacent elementary school, in holding Red Cross disaster training workshops for the community, to implementing a neighborhood survey for a secure database of community members in the surrounding area, and has acquired through a grant a large storage container for school and community supplies in preparation and planning services. Therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG encourage all Granges implement community disaster emergency preparedness steps when possible.

09-074 - GA

Title: Ec Authority To Handle Vista Grange Issue

Proposed By: Grange Activities Committee

Whereas: There has been much discussion with regard to the Vista Grange lawsuit; and

Whereas: This is an important issue that must be addressed; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG Executive Committee be given full authority to resolve the Vista Grange issue.

09-075 - GA

Title: State Grange Audit

Proposed By: Grange Activities Committee

Whereas: An audit of the CSG finances is an important part of the accounting system, and

Whereas: The Executive Committee needs to be responsible for this; therefore be it

Resolved: The California State Grange conduct a financial audit at least every two years.

GRANGE LAW

09-003R-GL

Title: Amend CSG By-Laws Article Xxv

Proposed By: Monterey Pomona #17

Whereas: Resolution 02-048 was meant to eliminate the need to amend Subordinate By-Laws every time the State Grange per capita amount is increased; and

Whereas: Local Subordinate dues need not be changed each time the State Grange per capita is increased; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: Local Subordinate dues may be set as a maximum amount over the amount of dues payable to the California State Grange; and be it further

RESOLVED: That Article XXV, Section 25.3 be amended with the insertion of the word “maximum” between “the” and “amount” in the second line. The amended Section will read:

25.3 By-Laws Shall Provide for Local Dues – The By-Laws of each Subordinate Grange shall specify the *maximum* amount of additional dues, as provided for in Article X, Section 10.2, that are necessary for the operation of the respective Grange. And be it further

RESOLVED: That Section 25.4 be eliminated in its entirety.

09-023-GL

Title: E-Membership

Proposed By: CSG Executive Committee

Whereas: the National Grange currently has three classes of membership; regular, associate and supportive; and

Whereas: a membership based upon internet access would have three primary benefits: 1st to increase awareness of the Grange to the general public, 2nd to provide a gateway into regular membership and potential new Granges, and 3rd to provide an additional revenue stream to keep regular dues affordable; therefore be it

Resolved that the National Grange Digest be amended as follows: “4.6.14 E-Membership. Membership in the National Grange and in a State Grange as an E-Member may be attained by individuals who may have an interest in the advancement of agriculture and improvement of rural life. Membership is gained by completing the approved on-line form and paying the annual dues for this class of membership.

(a) E-Members will receive all information and benefits via electronic means. The National Grange shall provide electronic publications and benefits. The State Grange shall provide similar benefits as they have available. The E-Member shall not be entitled to vote on matters of Grange policy or participate in National Grange sponsored contests that are designed for Grange members only.

(b) E-Membership may be terminated by the National Grange for improper conduct as a Grange member, illegal action, or conflict of interest.”

Renumber remainder of section

And be it further

Resolved: “4.8.2 (F) E-Members. The annual dues for E-Membership will be ten dollars (\$10.00).

1. Dues will be divided as follows: \$3.50 to the National Grange, \$6.50 to the State Grange.

2. National Grange will forward the dues collected on a quarterly basis to each respective State Grange. All E-Membership dues collected shall be allocated to member services and/or revitalization and organization of Community Granges.

3. All transfer of dues within the Grange shall be by electronic means unless both the sender and receiver agree to other alternatives.”

Renumber remainder of section

And be it further

Resolved: “4.8.1 (B) Subordinate Granges – The minimum application fee for membership in a Subordinate Grange shall be three dollars (\$3.00) for individual and six dollars (\$6.00) for a family, except that a State Grange may reduce the fee for Junior Grange members who are graduating into a Subordinate Grange, which shall be paid to the said Subordinate Grange. A State Grange shall waive the application fee for E-Members joining a Subordinate Grange.”; and be it further

Resolved: that the delegates of the California State Grange direct our State Master to request a special session of the National Grange in November of 2009 in order to expedite this By-Laws amendment this year.

09-026R-GL

Title: Amend Section 17.2 Of The Csg By-Laws

Proposed By: Monterey Pomona #17

Resolved: The California State Grange By-Laws, Section 17.2 be amended to read as follows:

17.2 *Expenses of Members of the Order Attending Meetings of the State Grange* – ~~It shall be the policy of the~~ The State Grange may establish policy to reimburse ~~Delegates,~~ the State Grange Officers and

certain other members of the Order for a portion of their expenses incurred in attending any meeting of the State Grange. The Executive Committee will specify the amount of expenses that will be reimbursed for the various ~~Delegates~~, State Officers, State-appointed Directors, Deputies and certain others.

The new section will read as follows:

17.2 *Expenses of Members of the Order Attending Meetings of the State Grange* –“The State Grange may establish policy to reimburse the State Grange Officers and certain other members of the Order for a portion of their expenses incurred in attending any meeting of the State Grange. The Executive Committee will specify the amount of expenses that will be reimbursed for the various State Officers, State-appointed Directors, Deputies and certain others.”

09-031R-GL

Title: Convention Committee

Proposed By: Sacramento Pomona #2

Whereas: We must continue to explore means to make our Conventions more affordable, accessible and fun for all members wishing to attend; and

Whereas: Conventions produced and hosted by local Subordinate and Pomona Granges, such as the 2009 Convention; sufficiently meet those goals; and

Whereas: Conventions produced and hosted by local Subordinate and Pomona Granges celebrate our state-wide diversity and grass roots traditions; and

Whereas: Proposals have been submitted from Subordinate and Pomona Granges eager to produce and host future Conventions; therefore, be it

Resolved: That beginning with the 2009 Convention, the Master of the CSG shall appoint a Standing Annual Meeting Committee which shall research and develop options for making future conventions affordable, accessible and fun for all members wishing to attend. The Convention Committee shall submit proposals for future conventions to the delegates for consideration and approval at each Convention. And be it further

Resolved: That at each Convention, the delegates shall select by a vote from the floor the site or sites for the Convention for the following one or two years. And be it further

Resolved: That the Convention Committee shall, when requested and in-so-far as it is practicable, provide advice and assistance to local Granges hosting the Convention. And be it further

Resolved: That section 12.4 of the CSG By-Laws be changed to read:

12.4 State Grange – The California State Grange Executive Committee shall set the date of the annual meeting, said meeting to be in the month of October and to commence on or before the 16th of the month. The place of meeting will be determined by a majority vote of the Delegate body at least *one or two* years in advance. Should the State Grange adjourn without selecting the place of meeting, the Executive Committee of the State Grange shall determine the place of meeting for the State Grange and notify the Secretary of the State Grange and Masters of Subordinate and Pomona Granges no later than sixty (60) days prior.

09-034R-GL

Title: Sale Of Grange Halls

Proposed By: Sacramento Pomona #2

Whereas: Our Grange halls best represent our presence in a community and best provide us opportunities to support and serve our communities; and

Whereas: Our Grange halls provide us the best opportunity for growth and influence in our communities; and

Whereas: Our Grange halls best celebrate our history and significance in our communities; therefore be it

Resolved: That inactive Grange halls and/or real property shall not be sold except under special circumstances and after exhausting every other option, including leasing or renting the property; and be it further

Resolved: That the CSG form a standing Property Committee and that the duties of this committee shall include the evaluation of inactive Grange halls and properties.

09-048-GL-Nat.

Title: Expand Affiliate Membership

Proposed By: Mc Cloud Grange #831

Whereas: Many Granges in remote areas seek affiliate members to assist that Grange in performing the regularly required duties and more effectively meet the needs of the community; and

Whereas: the present policy allows a member to be active in one other Grange by becoming a participating member; therefore be it

Resolved: The National Grange amend the NG Digest 4.6.6 that a member may be an active affiliate participating in four Granges while continuing to participate conscientiously in his/her home Grange.

09-051-GL**Title: Grange Hall Loan Trust Deed And Promissory Note****Proposed By: Fresno-Madera Pomona #24**

Whereas: The CSG currently writes a number of Grange Hall Loans, and there seems to be some confusion as to the documentation and securing of these loans; and

Whereas: There has been found a number of instances where “Grange Law” has been ignored; and

Whereas: A deed of trust simply acknowledges that there is a loan secured by a specific property and the repayment terms of the note and should be recorded in the home county of the property; and

Whereas: A promissory note lists the terms of the agreement and describes the security for the loan must be executed but not recorded; and

Whereas: Having both the recorded Deed of Trust and the executed Promissory Note on file protects the CSG as no one else can get a lien against the property superior to the CSG; and

Whereas: In the real estate business the saying goes, “First in time is First in line;” therefore be it

Resolved: All CSG “Grange Hall Loans” shall have a Deed of Trust recorded in the home county of the secured property, and an executed Promissory Note on file prior to any funds being disbursed.

HEALTH**09-072-H-Nat.****Title: Food/Drink Product Labeling****Proposed By: Health Committee**

Whereas: Consumers can become very sick from eating/drinking expired food products, and

Whereas: The expiration date stamped on food/drink products are often unreadable because the date is printed in a dark ink on a dark product background, therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG and NG urge the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to change the current method of expiration labeling for food/drink products to label the date in contrasting colors, such as black in on a “light” colored product background and white ink on a “dark” colored product background.

LABOR & JUDICIARY**09-009R-L&J****Title: Reinstate “Good Samaritan” Law****Proposed By: Windsor Grange #410**

Whereas: The California Supreme Court has ruled that any “helping hand” in an emergency can be held liable for any unsatisfactory results; and

Whereas: It has been a “Good Samaritan” rule in the past to do anything you can in good conscience to assist. Now that is history; therefore, be it

Resolved: That the CSG urge our Legislature to provide a statute that gives civil protection for citizens who act in an emergency situation.

09-052 – L&J**Title: California Constitutional Convention****Proposed By: Fresno-Madera Pomona #24**

Whereas: The Constitution of the State of California was originally written in 1849; and

Whereas: The current Constitution was adopted in 1879 and has amended and revised over 500 times;

Whereas: There are a number of proposals to call for a Constitutional Convention to address issues within the State Constitution; and

Whereas: There seems to be consensus that the structure of governance, campaign finance reform, term limits, budgeting, and revenue distribution are areas of concern to many people; and

Whereas: A full-scale rewrite of the Constitution of the State of California could be divisive and detrimental to the population of California; therefore be it

Resolved: The CSG shall only support the call for a California Constitutional Convention within a scope limited to reforms or revisions to: the structure of governance; campaign finance reform; term limits; budgeting; and revenue distribution. And be it further

Resolved: The CSG shall not support any call for a full rewrite of the Constitution of the State of California.

09-053-L&J

Title: Part Time Legislature

Proposed By: Fresno-Madera Pomona #24

Whereas: Prior to the passage of Proposition 1-A in 1966, the Legislature of the State of California met in general session in odd-numbered years and in budget session in even-numbered years; and

Whereas: These general and budget sessions were limited as to duration and so the State of California had a "Part-Time" Legislature; and

Whereas: These Legislatures were able to consider and adopt balanced budgets in a timely manner; and

Whereas: There are proposals to return the California Legislature to "part-time" status, limiting the general sessions to a total of 95 days; and

Whereas: Not only would reverting to this previous model focus state legislators on the work of the people, and allow individuals to become "citizen legislators," it would also have the potential for saving tens of millions of dollars per year for legislative expenses. Therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG supports a return to a "Part-Time" Legislature for the State of California.

TAXATION

09-046 – Nat.

Title: Eliminate The Estate Tax

Proposed By: Gazelle Grange #380

Whereas: The Estate Tax frequently referred to as the "Death Tax" is to be terminated in 2010 by legislation signed into law by former President George W. Bush; and

Whereas: According to reliable reports, President Obama has strong support for continuing the Estate Tax up to 55% of the estate value and not allow the termination of the Estate Tax in 2010; and

Whereas: Those with "estates" have already paid property tax, sales tax and other costs; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG and National Grange strongly support the termination of the Estate Tax (Death Tax) in 2010 as now required by law and strongly protest any continuance of this tax.

TRANSPORTATION

09-044 – TR

Title: Keep Rural Rest Areas Functioning

Proposed By: Gazelle Grange #380

Whereas: It has been learned that due to the economic reverses in California, a proposal to close many rest areas is being advanced; and

Whereas: California has large expanses of rural geography and service stations are often far apart and

Whereas: This distance between stations with no rest areas may cause hazardous driving of very tired

motorists; and

Whereas: In many rural areas developmentally delayed individuals derive job training and skill through their programs working in rest areas; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG strongly support the continued maintenance and development of highway rest areas.

09-069 – TR

Title: Motorcycle Lane Splitting Speed Limits

Proposed By: Transportation Committee

Whereas: California is one of the few states where it is legal for motorcycles to lane split; and

Whereas: At the present time there are no speed limit regulations for lane splitting; and

Whereas: The University of Southern California has conducted a study that shows lane splitting is safer than sitting in stop-and-go traffic where the motorcyclist is more likely to get rear-ended; and

Whereas: California Highway Patrol officers embrace lane splitting because it allows them a quicker response time to emergencies; and

Whereas: Many motorcycles have air cooled engines and will overheat if not cooled by flowing air; therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG encourage the California Legislature to pass a law limiting the speed of motorcycles that are lane splitting to 5 miles per hour over the flow of traffic, with a maximum speed of 35 miles per hour for motorcyclists while lane splitting.

WATER

09-041 – W – Nat.

Title: “Two Gates” Project

Proposed By: Fresno-Madera Pomona #24

Whereas: Much of the water transported to central and southern California for human and agricultural uses is pumped from the Delta at Tracy sending the water into the San Luis Reservoir for distribution to the state and federal water projects; and

Whereas: Water pumping at Tracy has been curtailed due to concerns for the Delta Smelt, Salmon, Steelhead and other species; and

Whereas: Water contractors are receiving only about 10% of the contracted water and this has affected the economic viability of Westside farming and communities; and

Whereas: The “Two Gates” project proposes placing two large gates on sunken barges in two large channels in the central part of the delta, preventing adult Delta Smelt from being sucked into the pumps; and

Whereas: The “Two Gates” can not only be opened and closed, but also offers the flexibility of being moved to different locations, depending on where the fish are, thus allowing for placement/adjustment to maintain water quality standards, keep desired Delta water levels, protection of fish, and providing water for contracted uses; and

Whereas: This project is being studied by the California Department of Water Resources and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. Therefore be it

Resolved: The CSG supports the concept of the “Two Gates” project, placing two large gates on sunken barges in two large channels in the central part of the delta in the Delta in order to temper the Tracy pumps and provide water for contracted users, maintain water quality standards, keep desired water levels and protect other animal species.

09-062R-W-Nat.

Title: Klamath River

Proposed By: Bayside Grange #500

Whereas: Many agencies and community organizations have been working together to improve the use of resources in the Klamath River Basin; and

Whereas: Water quality frequently causes river and lake waters to be unsuitable for one or more beneficial uses; and

Whereas: A uniform calculation used to determine the maximum amount of a pollutant that a waterbody can receive and still meet water quality standards is known as a TMDL [Total Maximum Daily Load], and

Whereas: The Klamath River has impaired water quality TMDL from its source to its mouths, meaning that the water is unsuitable for at least one use, therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSG and National Grange shall use their lobbyists to work with Legislators and Administrators to support actions by the SWRCB (State Water Resources Control Board) and the USEPA (United States Environmental Protection Agency) of water quality standards required to achieve Water Quality Management in the Klamath River to support sustainable water and resource use.

09-064 – W – Nat.

Title: Remove Klamath Dams

Proposed By: Bodega Bay Grange #777 - W/Consent Of Water Chair

Whereas: the Klamath River (KR), which is a hot issue for North Coast fishing communities, was the third largest salmon fishery on the Pacific Coast; and

Whereas: The Klamath River Dam removal, triggered by the Federal Energy Regulation Commission (FERC) relicensing of 4 power-producing dams has divided the Northern California Granges: Coastal Granges in favor and Siskiyou County opposed. It is time to resolve this issue. And

Whereas: There are four issues on which the CSG can and should take positions, namely: 1) KR Dam Removal; 2) KR Basin Restoration; 3) KR Basin Management; and 4) KR Water Quality. And

Whereas: These are state and national issues because the river crosses two states, includes a Bureau of Reclamation project, encompasses Indian tribal lands, Federal Wildlife refuges, wilderness areas and forest lands; and

Whereas: Salmon fisheries are managed by state and federal agencies and the salmon population has fallen into very serious decline; and

Whereas: The Dam removal doesn't cost a billion dollars but the Klamath Basin Restoration project does and requires Congressional action and funding; and

Whereas: The States of California and Oregon are both on record as willing to pay a share toward the costs of dam removal; and

Whereas: The Greenhorn Grange members recently hornswoggled the CSG Executive Committee into supporting the Siskiyou County Supervisors in their opposition to removal of the dams.

“Greenhorn Grange Request: The Committee reviewed California State Grange Policy regarding the removal of dams, In addition Res 06-050 was reviewed and in all due diligence the Committee determined that as State Grange Policy opposed dam removal and the issue advocated the status quo, there would be more chance of harm if the dams were removed. **It was moved by Johnny Squire and seconded by Inger Bevans** that the State Master write a letter supporting the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors in opposing the removal of dams on the Klamath River. **Motion carried unanimously.** *EC Minutes of meeting held March 14, 2009.* This action based on **Resolution 99-003 - Public Safety:** “That the CSG oppose all legislation and administrative regulation that would remove and/or inhibit construction of dams needed for flood protection, domestic and agricultural water supply; that the CSG actively lobby the State Legislature and other agencies having appropriate authority to protect needed dams and to allow additional dam construction when required.” And

Whereas: These dams on the Klamath are hydro-electric power projects and the dam removal issue is not new. It came up when the power licenses expired as they do every 50 years. The FERC has conducted lengthy hearings and the dams are now on a year-to-year interim license status, and these dams are not flood control projects or water supply projects. And

Whereas: The dams generate approximately 5% of the power generated by Pacific Corp. (owned by W. Buffett), and when they were built by COPCO, some “sweetheart” deals provided a discount rate for power used in the Klamath River Basin for agriculture. Also, all the dams are in Siskiyou County, with the taxes benefiting Siskiyou County. And

Whereas: These dams block salmon migration to hundreds of miles of river and tributary spawning grounds, and the waters held in the dams are breeding grounds for oxygen-depleting algae, with nutrients coming from upstream agricultural pollution; in addition they breed parasites now blamed for the 2002 salmon kill. And

Whereas: Because FERC has said it will require fish ladders at all dams, which will cost more than these dams are worth, Pacific Corp has not agreed to pay for either fish ladders or dam removal. The U.S. Dept. of Interior has agreed to a timetable for removal of the dams in 2020, leaving the only issue being who will pay for the removal. And

Whereas: Grangers are stewards of the land seeking to promote the proper use of the environment and natural resources; and

Whereas: CSG has been working on the Klamath River matter since the time of the historic Fairness Resolution. Last fall we had a resolution submitted to favor removal of those dams (see 08-041) which the Water Committee asked the author to withdraw pending further study, to be brought back again this year; and

Whereas: The dam removal issue has been interwoven into the three other Klamath River issues (KR Restoration, KR Basin Management and KR Water Quality) to create a politically cloudy atmosphere for the resolution of any issue; and

Whereas: State Master Randall Lewis stated in an E-mail to David Lewis, "As far as getting Leroy Watson (National Grange Legislative Director) to formally ask (Congressman Mike) Thompson to conduct a Congressional hearing on the Klamath, prior to my approval of that request I would like to have a discussion and get all of our ducks in a row. I don't want to get the cart before the house here and feel that if any request is to be made it must be done with a plan in place as to what we desire to accomplish." (*Sent March 25, 2009.*) And

Whereas: The CSG Executive Committee action of March 14, 2009 (see above) is contrary to the cited Grange Policy, which does NOT cover power dams. Therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That should the State Master and/or the CSG Executive Committee deem it necessary, that they convene a Klamath River Special Study Committee to evaluate these four issues:

1. Removal of the Power Dams which are currently subject to FERC hearings on license renewal and which are operating on an interim license;
2. Klamath River Basin Restoration which involves about 30 stakeholders including the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Forest Service, several Native American tribes, 2 States, 3 counties, many irrigation districts and the salmon fishing industry;
3. Klamath Basin Water Management which involves Upper Basin vs. Lower Basin issues and should be under one Basin Management;
4. Klamath River Water Quality Regulations of which there currently are none.

09—65-W-Nat.

Title: Klamath River Basin Restoration

Proposed By: Bodega Bay Grange #777 - W/Consent Of Water Chair

Whereas: The Klamath River was the third largest salmon fishery on the Pacific coast; and

Whereas: In September of 2002, low flows and water quality degradation caused a kill of more than 33,000 migrating salmon and similar conditions caused significant salmon kills in 1994, 1997, and 2000. And

Whereas: A draft Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement written by the Klamath Settlement Group (consisting of 26 stakeholder organizations) was released in January of 2008 setting forth short- and long-term restoration goals and river management strategies; and

Whereas: The Plan is incomplete and does not include input from all potential stakeholders and does not appear to have been acted upon; and

Whereas: Under the Public Trust Doctrine, the waters of the Klamath River are owned by the states for the people in public trust; therefore be it

Resolved: The CSG and the National Grange shall petition the California Legislature and the National Congress to convene hearings to achieve a Klamath Basin Restoration Plan and to fund a complete stakeholder working group to produce a definitive Klamath Basin Restoration Plan to be submitted to Congress for funding.

09-066-W**Title: Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage And Distribution****Proposed By: Clovis/Sanger Grange #478**

Whereas: California is facing both a financial and water crisis of epic proportions; it is imperative to use both our financial and water resources prudently and wisely for the benefit of the people of California and the San Joaquin Valley; and

Whereas: A proposal to construct a new dam on the San Joaquin River at Temperance Flat would wastefully cost California taxpayers at least 5 billion dollars; while significantly less taxpayer money would be better spent to establish Tulare Lake as a surface/ground water storage and distribution facility for seasonal water runoff from the Sierra-Nevada Mountains for the following advantageous reasons:

1. Store nearly twice as much water;
2. Have flexibility of conveyance using five rivers and 3 canals;
3. Utilize maximum leverage of existing infrastructure;
4. Link to the California Aqueduct;
5. Not destroy clean hydroelectric generation facilities;
6. Recharge the water table;
7. Facilitate bi-directional and efficient movement of water;
8. Cost one-fifth as much to the taxpayers;
9. Have little adverse environmental impact;
10. significant environmental improvements. Therefore, be it

Resolved: That the CSG endorse the Tulare Basin Surface/Groundwater Storage Conveyance Hub with river and canal interties project feasibility study.

09-067-W-Nat.**Title: Delta Vision Strategic Plan Framework****Proposed By: Clovis/Sanger Grange #478**

Whereas: California is facing a statewide water crisis of historic proportion. Chronic drought is affecting all people of California, as do the problems it helps create on the Bay-Delta Region. The Region's farming communities and fisheries are in near total collapse due to saltwater intrusion, levee failures, land subsistence, water transfers, massive urban wastewater discharges, and significant decline of water quality for drinking and agricultural use. And

Whereas: Over two-thirds of the population of California is critically dependent upon clean, abundant water that flows into and out of the Delta for municipal, agricultural and environmental uses and benefits for all Californians as a Public Trust; and

Whereas: The CALFED Bay-Delta Program under its Record of Decision (ROD) in 2000, and Governor Schwarzenegger's appointed Blue Ribbon Task Force's Delta Vision *Strategic Plan* as recently adopted as a major goal an integrated and comprehensive framework that acknowledges that the protection and enhancement of the Delta for people of California is a Public Trust must be first and foremost. Therefore, be it

Resolved: The CSG and the National Grange take all actions and means necessary that promote the spirit and intent of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program and Governor Schwarzenegger's appointed Blue Ribbon Task Force's Delta Vision Strategic Plan in the Public Trust.

09-070-W**Title: Csg Policy On Support Of Dam Projects****Proposed By: Water Committee**

Whereas: There are many proposals for the construction and removal of dams on our rivers and streams; and

Whereas: These dams may provide any or all of the following benefits: hydro-electric power, water-based recreation, water storage for agriculture, municipal and industrial uses, flood control, and wildlife habitat; and

Whereas: Construction or removal of dams may add to or reduce the extent of existing or future benefit, and

Whereas: No one dam project provides a solution to all needs; every dam project changes the status quo, and
Whereas: The costs of dam projects are so enormous that a general policy to support or reject all dam projects serves no real purpose. Therefore be it
Resolved: The CSG shall support or oppose dam projects only on a case by case basis after evaluation of current information

Committee Reports

CSG Agriculture Committee Report

The committee wishes to express its pleasure in serving the Grange. We processed one resolution. It was passed as with a friendly amendment.

Resolution #09-036: Local Farmland Preservation and Food Security

We had one resolution handed in at convention from a Subordinate Grange that we felt should be held for next year.

Members:

Ken Whitney
Jay Allred
Michelle Faeth
Joseph Stefenoni
Robert Cauckwell
Sharon Taylor
Jim Townsend

Chairman: Johnny Squire

**Fraternally submitted,
Johnny Squire**

Education Committee Report

We worked 2 resolutions. One was withdrawn and one the committee presented as favorable and was adopted.

I would like to thank the members of my committee Patty Allen, Erica Bruce, Trudi Martin, Randall Marler, and Holly Riley-Davis for their valuable help with the resolutions.

**Respectfully submitted,
Linda MacCracken, Chairman**

Grange Activities Final Report

Grange activities committee had 7 resolutions, inherited 2 from Grange Law, had 1 rewrite and wrote 2 resolutions.

The committee welcomed 2 new members this year, along with 3 long standing members, worked well together to come to mutual agreement on all the resolutions.

I want to thank Ernie White, Tehama County. He has been a committee member for several years, but could not make it to convention this year; however he read all the resolutions and gave us his input.

Other members are Marta Kroger, Danville #85; Kathy Bergeron, Siskiyou Pomona #6; Lola Adamczak, Berry Creek #694, Lee Geiger, Springfield #523.

I want to thank you for the privilege of chairing this committee and all the members who worked so hard.

Fraternally Submitted
Rosemary Hansen
Anderson #416

Grange Law Committee Report

Number of Resolutions brought to our attention – 21. Number of resolutions transferred out of the committee – 4. Number of resolutions sent to Consent Calendar - 4. Number of resolutions withdrawn – 1. Number of resolutions tabled – 1

Committee:

Bob Alvarez
Carrie Behler
Barbara Geiger
Larry Kroger
Jack Surmani

Special thanks to Jon Luvass for his assistance

Fraternally submitted,
Howard Sihner, Chairman

Labor and Judiciary Committee Report:

#09- 007 L&J - Rejected to be re-written: Resolve does not stand alone, vague & believe it violates rights. Vote was unanimous.

#09-016 L&J - Rejected to be re-written: How will it be funded? How often is the test taken? Sent back to the maker for rewrite, with suggestion. 5 reject – 1 favorable vote. Already in law.

#09- 009 L&S – Rejected as written. Sent back to the maker with suggestion for amendment. Vote unanimous. Accepted as amended. Resolution amended and adopted.

#09-052 L&J – Favorable. Unanimous.

#09 – 053 – L&J – Favorable. 5 approve – 1 dissention.

Marian Nichols, Secretary. Typed by Liz Reynolds.

The chair would like to thank the committee for their effort and timely completion of the assignment.
Committee:

Liz Reynolds, Chairman

Luther Wright
Joan Poulas
Rick Davis
Charles Farley
Marian Nichols

**Fraternally submitted,
Liz Reynolds**

Taxation Committee Report

My name is Cheri Bunker, Chairman of the Taxation Committee. On the committee with me are Shirley Baker and Randy Turnquist. We had 1 resolution with regards to the Estate Tax. The committee found the resolution favorable. The resolution was adopted by the delegates.

We would like to thank the membership for allowing us to serve on this committee.

**Respectfully submitted,
Cheri Bunker**

Transportation Committee Final Report

The Transportation committee had three resolutions to process. The delegate body approved two of the resolutions and supported the committee's recommendation of Unfavorable on the other resolution.

I would like to thank Travis Kroger, Sonoma County and Dwight Winegar, Humbolt County for their service on this committee.

**Respectfully submitted
Bill Allen
Transportation committee Chairman**

CSG Water Committee Report

Thank you to all the committee members:

Leo Bergeron, Craig Eckert, Jay Hartz, Steve Haze, Larry Hourhany, Abby Myers, Patricia Ray, Norman Carpadus and Chris Blesch.

We processed eleven Resolutions:

3 were killed in committee

- 020 Oppose Removal of Dams
- 021 Support Above Ground Water Storage
- 040 San Francisco Water

1 was tabled on the convention floor

- 015 Klamath River Dams

7 were adopted

- 09-070 CSG Policy on Support of Dam Projects
- 09-041 Two Gates Project
- 09-067 Delta Vision Strategic Plan Framework
- 09-066 Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage and Distribution
- 09-064 Klamath River Dam Removal
- 09-065 Klamath River Basin Restoration
- 09-062 Klamath River Water Quality

Respectfully Submitted
David Lewis, Chair
CSG Water Committee

Resolution of Appreciation

WHEREAS: It was a dark and stormy afternoon driving from Santa Cruz County to Sacramento County on Tuesday before the 137th Annual Meeting of the members of the California State Grange, and

WHEREAS: Upon arriving at the Orangevale Grange busy Grangers from Pleasant Valley Grange were decorating the hall prepared by the Orangevale Grange committee, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That a very special debt of thanks go to the “Steering Committee” consisting of Dale and Shirley Baker, Buzz and Linda Chernoff, Jay Hartz, Amy Self, Bob McFarland, Bob Clouse, Bill Thomas, Linda McCracken, and their many elves who assisted, and be it further

RESOLVED: That thanks be given to Master Randy Lewis who led an excellent presentation to the new delegates on Thursday, and to Larry Kroger for answering the many questions at the Budget Workshop and presenting a Budget that was accepted by the delegate body, and be it further

RESOLVED: That thanks be extended to National Grange Master Ed Lutrell and his spouse Celia, for their words of praise and delight in meeting at a Grange hall in an era of “Getting Back to Our Roots” and for his for stressing the attitude of WE: We can – We will – We must, and

Thanks to the Lindy Wright and the “Grange But True” band for musical support and cheer, and

Thanks to the GWA ladies for their support for Heart Health with contributions of \$1,006 during the Women’s March, and to Betty Eyler for her outstanding GWA report, and

Thanks to the students of the Rancho Cordova High School Culinary Class, led by instructor Diane Goldman, for their superb culinary delights prepared daily, and

Thanks to those “true” Grangers in actions by moving tables and chairs twice a day as the setup needed to be changed from session to dining and back in a hall considered “almost big enough” for a convention, and

Thanks to the Youth Marching Team with their innovative drill choreographed by Marta Kroger, and for the presentation of the Rose Drill presented by the Mt. Hamilton Grange Dancers, and

Thanks to Marta Kroger for keeping all informed in the changes to the resolutions by using computer, projector and screen, and

Thanks to Bob McFarland for his rousing report on Membership and Public Relations travels in our State, and

Thanks to Frank Nichols and his Election team for perseverance in counting the multiple of ballots for two full days, and finally

Thanks to all the Officers, Deputies and Directors of the California State Grange for their work at this first “Back to Our Roots” session in Orangevale, California.

**Fraternally submitted,
Lee Geiger, Monterey County Deputy**

Section VII

Member Recognition

Fifth and Sixth Degree Candidates

Grange Exposition Awards

List of Candidates for the Fifth Degree of the Order

The following Candidates were initiated into the Fifth Degree of the Patrons of Husbandry as indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grange</u>
Sean Bird	Three Forks Grange #449
Stephen Bird	Three Forks Grange #449
Nick Cann	Rutherford Grange #371
Peg Cann	Rutherford Grange #371
Doug Clark	Aromas Grange #361
Hilarie Coate	Fort Bragg Grange #672
Lanny Cotler	Little Lake Grange #670
Richard Davis	Alpine Grange #665
Keri Degraw	Orangevale Grange #354
Lloyd Doster	Alpine Grange #665
Rose Evaristo	Mt. Hamilton Grange #469
Vic Evaristo	Mt. Hamilton Grange #469
Richard Gant	Alpine Grange #665
Kathryn Heckman	De Sabla Grange #762
Jim Holden	Lompoc Grange #646
Judy Holden	Lompoc Grange #646
Larry Hourany	Dows Prairie Grange #505
Frank Johnson	Three Forks Grange #449
Margaret Ann Johnson	Scott Valley Grange #386
Dennis Judd	West Visalia Grange #782
Pamela Kimball	Lake Earl Grange #577
Mary Myers	Freshwater Grange #499
Peggy Myers	Loma Rica Grange #802
Gus Olmedo	Mt. Hamilton Grange #469
Craigens Potter	McCloud Grange #831
Lydia Queja	Mt. Hamilton Grange #469
George Reinhardt	Fort Bragg Grange #672
Richard Roth	Durham Grange #460
Marli Shoop	Fort Bragg Grange #672
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Hilarie Coate	Fort Bragg Grange #672
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Rose Evaristo	Mt. Hamilton Grange #469
Vic Evaristo	Mt. Hamilton Grange #469
Margaret Fowler	Butte Pomona Grange #16
Scott Fowler	Butte Pomona Grange #16
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Jon Luvas	Chico Grange #486
Miranda Moog	Little Lake Grange #670
Betty Morris	Palermo Grange #493
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Grange Exposition Award Winners

Fine Arts - Junior, 9 & Under - Oils & Acrylics

1st - Charity Ding/Goldsmith

Fine Arts - Junior, 9 & Under - Water Colors

1st - Kendra Donahue

2nd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith

3rd - Kendra Donahue

Fine Arts - Junior, 9 & Under - Crayon, Markers or any other

1st - Kendra Donahue

2nd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith

3rd - Kendra Donahue

Fine Arts - Junior 10 to 13 Inclusive - Water Colors

1st - Shavonne Donahue

2nd - Kiera Donahue

3rd - Shavonne Donahue

Fine Arts - Junior 10 to 13 Inclusive - Charcoal or Pencil Drawing

1st - Victoria Davis

2nd - Jordan Davis

3rd - Victoria Davis

3rd - Jordan Davis

Fine Arts - Junior 10 to 13 Inclusive - Crayon, Markers or any other

1st - Kiera Donahue

2nd - Kiera Donahue

3rd - Shavonne Donahue

Fine Arts - Junior 10 to 13 Inclusive - Printmaking, any kind

1st - Kiera Donahue

Fine Arts - Youth - Charcoal or Pencil Drawing

1st - Leroy Squire

2nd - Leroy Squire

Fine Arts - Youth - Crayon, Markers or any other

1st - Leroy Squire

2nd - Leroy Squire

Fine Arts - Senior - Oils & Acrylics

1st - Marlene Hogaboom

2nd - Peggy R Myers

3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm

3rd - Peggy R Myers

Fine Arts - Senior - Water Colors

1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm

2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm

3rd - BJ Fitzpatrick

3rd - Sandi Fontana

NG Creative Art Contest - Junior (7-8) - My Favorite Outdoor Place

1st - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding

NG Creative Art Contest - Junior (9-11) - My Favorite Outdoor Place

1st - Charity Ding/Goldsmith

Banners & Posters - Senior - Banner promoting Grange

- 2nd - BJ Fitzpatrick
Artisan Crafts - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Bisqueware container decorated
1st - Victoria Davis
2nd - Victoria Davis
Artisan Crafts - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Bisque ware, figure or animal
1st - Jordan Davis
2nd - Victoria Davis
3rd - Victoria Davis
Artisan Crafts - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Bisque ware, any other kind
1st - Victoria Davis
2nd - Jordan Davis
Artisan Crafts - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Hydrocal, (plaster) any item
1st - Jordan Davis
2nd - Jordan Davis
3rd - Victoria Davis
3rd - Victoria Davis
Artisan Crafts - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Pottery container throw/sculpt
1st - Kalynn Bassett
2nd - Kalynn Bassett
Artisan Crafts - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Pottery figure or animal
1st - Shavonne Donahue
2nd - Kiera Donahue
3rd - Kiera Donahue
3rd - Shavonne Donahue
Artisan Crafts - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Pottery, any other kind
1st - Shavonne Donahue
Artisan Crafts - Youth - Bisque ware, figure or animal
1st - Leroy Squire
2nd - Leroy Squire
Artisan Crafts - Youth - Pottery figure or animal
1st - Leroy Squire
Artisan Crafts - Youth - Pottery, any other kind
1st - Aubry Bassett
2nd - Aubry Bassett
Artisan Crafts - Senior - Bisqueware container decorated
1st - April Shelter
2nd - Larrisa Thomas
3rd - Shirley Thomas
Artisan Crafts - Senior - Bisque ware, figure or animal
1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
Artisan Crafts - Senior - Tole Painting, any kind
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
2nd - Lola Adamczak
2nd - BJ Fitzpatrick
Arts BOS - Best of Show - Junior Best of Show
1st - Kiera Donahue
Arts BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
1st - Marlene Hogaboom
Christmas Ornaments - Youth - Any Other Kind

- 1st - Sea Jay Bates
- Christmas Ornaments - Senior - Beaded
 - 1st - Denise Ding
- Christmas Ornaments - Senior - Counted Cross Stitch
 - 1st - Deanna Ding
 - 2nd - Jane Kachel
- Christmas Ornaments - Senior - Decorated Ball
 - 1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
 - 2nd - Lola Adamczak
- Christmas Ornaments - Senior - Metal
 - 1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
- Christmas Ornaments - Senior - Wood
 - 1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
- Christmas Ornaments - Senior - Any Other Kind
 - 1st - Judith Holden
 - 2nd - Sandi Fontana
 - 3rd - Susan Megeath
 - 3rd - BJ Fitzpatrick
- Christmas Ornaments - Senior - Large - Over 6 in.
 - 1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
- General Crafts - Junior - Recycled craft item, paper
 - 1st - Shavonne Donahue
- General Crafts - Junior - Jewelry -not metal or lapidary
 - 1st - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
 - 2nd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
- General Crafts - Junior - Painted Rock or Natural Object
 - 1st - Jordan Davis
 - 2nd - Victoria Davis
- General Crafts - Junior - Decoupage
 - 1st - Jordan Davis
- General Crafts - Junior - Any other kind
 - 1st - Kiera Donahue
 - 1st - Kiera Donahue
 - 2nd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
- General Crafts - Youth - Trash to Treasure
 - 1st - Leroy Squire
 - 2nd - Leroy Squire
- General Crafts - Youth - Any other Craft
 - 1st - Leroy Squire
 - 2nd - Leroy Squire
- General Crafts - Senior - Recycled craft item, metal
 - 1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
- General Crafts - Senior - Jewelry -not metal or lapidary
 - 1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
 - 2nd - Denise Ding
 - 3rd - Ruth Polman

3rd - BJ Fitzpatrick
General Crafts - Senior - Painted Rock or Natural Object
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
2nd - Rebecca Graham
3rd - Lola Adamczak
3rd - Rebecca Graham
General Crafts - Senior - Trash to Treasure
1st - Rebecca Graham
2nd - Lola Adamczak
General Crafts - Senior - Decoupage
1st - Barbara Chism
General Crafts - Senior - Any other Craft
1st - Denise Ding
2nd - BJ Fitzpatrick
Junior Theme Crafts - Junior, 8 to 10 - Holiday Craft - Autumn decorat
1st - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
Junior Theme Crafts - Youth - Holiday Craft - Autumn -carve
1st - Mark Lane
Junior Theme Crafts - Senior - Holiday Craft - Autumn dec.
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
Crafts BOS - Best of Show - Junior Best of Show
1st - Jordan Davis
Crafts BOS - Best of Show - Youth Best of Show
1st - Leroy Squire
Crafts BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
Crafts BOS - Best of Show - Jr Theme Craft Best of Show
Sponsored by Ione Grange
1st - Mark Lane
Arrangements and Centerpieces - Junior - Dining Table (Max. 6"x12")
3rd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
Arrangements and Centerpieces - Senior - Dining Table (max. 6"x12")
2nd - Ileshia Knigge
Arrangements and Centerpieces - Senior - Any Other Kind
1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
Hanging Arrangements - Senior - Wreath, Purchased foundation
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
Hanging Arrangements - Senior - Wreath, Handmade foundation
2nd - Denise Ding
Hanging Arrangements - Senior - Wreath, Holiday
1st - Deanna Ding
Hanging Arrangements - Senior - Any other decorative wallpiece
2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
Potted Plants - Senior - Cactus & Succulents
1st - Susan Megeath
Floriculture BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
1st - Deanna Ding
Grange Youth Fair Awards - Junior (5 to 13) - Large Animal Livestock Award
1st - Chris Dunckel
2nd - Isaac Cookingham
3rd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith

Grange Youth Fair Awards - Junior (5 to 13) - Breeding Project Award

1st - Isaac Cookingham

Grange Youth Fair Awards - Junior (5 to 13) - Home Arts & General Exhibits

1st - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding

Grange Youth Fair Awards - Senior (Youth 14-19) - Breeding Project

1st - Mark Lane

GYF Best All Around Exhibitor - Junior (5 to 13 years) - Best All Around Junior

1st - Isaac Cookingham

2nd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith

3rd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding

GYF Best All Around Exhibitor - Senior (Youth ages 14-19) - Best All Around Senior

1st - Mark Lane

Collections - Senior - Any Other Kind

Sponsored by Rainbow Valley Grange

1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm

2nd - BJ Fitzpatrick

2nd - Mary Vetter

2nd - Susan Megeath

2nd - Katie Squire

Scrapbook - Junior - Special Event Scrapbook

1st - Shavonne Donahue

2nd - Kiera Donahue

3rd - Kendra Donahue

3rd - Victoria Davis

Scrapbook - Junior - Scrapbook Page

2nd - Jordan Davis

2nd - Victoria Davis

Scrapbook - Youth - Special Event Scrapbook

1st - Madison Donahue

2nd - Andrew Donahue

Quick Bread - Junior - Fruit

1st - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding

1st - Kalynn Bassett

Quick Bread - Junior - Any Other Kind

2nd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith

Quick Bread - Senior - Fruit

2nd - Barbara Chism

3rd - Katie Squire

Quick Bread - Senior - Muffins (7)

1st - Ileshia Knigge

Yeast Bread - Senior - Rolls (7 individual)

1st - Deanna Ding

Cookie - Senior - Brownies

2nd - Lola Adamczak

3rd - Jean Knigge

Cookie - Senior - Chocolate Chip, drop

2nd - Dian Cornelius

3rd - Denise Ding

Cookie - Senior - Drop, any other kind

1st - Katie Squire

2nd - Jean Knigge

- Cookie - Senior - Fruit Bars
 - 1st - Lola Adamczak
 - 2nd - Harold Esola
- Cookie - Senior - Oatmeal
 - 1st - Harold Esola
 - 2nd - Patricia Schunneman
 - 2nd - Jean Knigge
- Cookie - Senior - Refrigerator - Sliced
 - 1st - Jean Knigge
 - 2nd - Jean Knigge
- Cookie - Senior - Rolled
 - 1st - Denise Ding
 - 1st - Barbara Chism
- Cookie - Senior - Any other kind (specify)
 - 1st - Dian Cornelius
 - 2nd - Patricia Schunneman
- Baking BOS - Best of Show - Junior Best of Show
 - 1st - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
- Baking BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
 - 1st - Deanna Ding
- Confections - Senior - Brittle - any kind
 - 2nd - Patricia Schunneman
- Confections - Senior - Divinity
 - 1st - Deanna Ding
- Confections - Senior - Fudge - Any type
 - 1st - Dian Cornelius
 - 2nd - Patricia Schunneman
 - 2nd - Barbara Chism
- Confections - Senior - Hand Dipped - Any Kind
 - 1st - Ileshia Knigge
 - 2nd - Louise Palmer
- Confections - Senior - Confection - Any Other Kind
 - 1st - Barbara Chism
- Confections/Snacks BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
 - 1st - Deanna Ding
- Canning - Pickled Foods - Junior - Vegetables, pickled
 - 1st - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
 - 2nd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
- Canning - Pickled Foods - Youth - Cucumber, Dill
 - 2nd - Mark Lane
- Canning - Pickled Foods - Youth - Vegetables, pickled
 - 1st - Conor Ding
- Canning - Pickled Foods - Senior - Relish
 - 1st - Sandi Fontana
 - 2nd - Elsie Greenmeyer
- Canning - Jam - Youth - Mixed Fruit - 2 or more
 - 2nd - Mark Lane
- Canning - Jam - Youth - Any Other Kind
 - 1st - Leroy Squire
- Canning - Jam - Senior - Apricot/Apricot Pineapple
 - 1st - Jan Strecker

- Canning - Jam - Senior - Blackberry/Boysenberry
 - 1st - Jan Strecker
 - 2nd - Jane Kachel
 - 3rd - Donna Isley
 - 3rd - Lola Adamczak
- Canning - Jam - Senior - Strawberry
 - 1st - Katie Squire
 - 2nd - Donna Isley
 - 3rd - Dian Cornelius
- Canning - Jam - Senior - Mixed Fruit - 2 or more
 - 1st - Donna Isley
- Canning - Jam - Senior - Plum
 - 1st - Jan Strecker
 - 2nd - Donna Isley
 - 3rd - Suzi Laskowski
 - 3rd - H.F. Tom Sawyer
- Canning - Jam - Senior - Any Other Kind
 - 1st - Katie Squire
 - 2nd - Katie Squire
 - 3rd - Jan Strecker
 - 3rd - Donna Isley
 - 3rd - Lola Adamczak
 - 3rd - H.F. Tom Sawyer
- Canning - Jelly - Youth - Fruit Combo - 2 or more
 - 3rd - Mark Lane
- Canning - Jelly - Senior - Blackberry/Boysenberry
 - 1st - Donna Isley
- Canning - Jelly - Senior - Grape
 - 1st - Donna Isley
 - 2nd - Donna Isley
- Canning - Jelly - Senior - Any Other Kind
 - 1st - Donna Isley
 - 2nd - Donna Isley
 - 3rd - Louise Palmer
- Canning - Other Soft Spreads - Youth - Fruit Butter
 - 1st - Mark Lane
- Canning - Other Soft Spreads - Senior - Any Other, describe
 - 1st - Jan Strecker
- Canned & Bottled Liquids - Youth - Any Other, describe
 - 1st - Mark Lane
- Canning BOS - Best of Show - Junior Best of Show
 - 1st - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
- Canning BOS - Best of Show - Youth Best of Show
 - 1st - Conor Ding
- Canning BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
 - 1st - Katie Squire
- Needlearts - Handwork - Senior - Doily or Table Topper Thread
 - 1st - Lola Adamczak
- Needlearts - Handwork - Senior - Any Other, specify Thread

- 1st - Lola Adamczak
Needlearts - Handwork - Senior - Afghan
Yarn
- 1st - Susan Megeath
Needlearts - Handwork - Senior - Cap, Hat or Scarf
Yarn
- 1st - Sandi Fontana
2nd - Denise Ding
3rd - Barbara Chism
3rd - Katie Squire
Needlearts - Handwork - Senior - Any Other Specify
Yarn
- 1st - Susan Megeath
2nd - Sandi Fontana
3rd - Dorothy Griffith
Needlearts - Handwork - Senior - Counted Cross Stitch
Needlework
- 1st - Jane Kachel
2nd - Deanna Ding
3rd - Deanna Ding
Needlearts - Handwork - Senior - Any Other, Made from a Kit
Needlework
- 1st - Susan Megeath
Quilts & Comforters - Senior - Quilt, Machine quilted by exh,
Sponsored by Rosedale Grange
- 1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
2nd - Annette Fletcher
Quilts & Comforters - Senior - Quilt, made by group
Sponsored by Rosedale Grange
- 1st - Annette Fletcher
Quilts & Comforters - Senior - Wallhanging or throw, hand
Sponsored by Rosedale Grange
- 2nd - Katie Squire
Quilts & Comforters - Senior - Any other quilted item
Sponsored by Rosedale Grange
- 1st - Susan Megeath
2nd - Annette Fletcher
3rd - Annette Fletcher
Sewing - clothing construction - Senior - Blouse or shirt, adult
- 2nd - Deanna Ding
Sewing - clothing construction - Senior - Jacket or Coat
- 3rd - Katie Squire
Sewing - clothing construction - Senior - Pants or Shorts
- 3rd - Deanna Ding
Sewing - clothing construction - Senior - Skirt
- 2nd - Deanna Ding
Sewing - Household Creations - Junior - Any Other item, specify
- 2nd - Kiera Donahue
Sewing - Household Creations - Senior - Apron
- 1st - Lola Adamczak
2nd - Dian Cornelius

- 3rd - Deanna Ding
Sewing - Household Creations - Senior - Handbag or Tote Bag
2nd - Dian Cornelius
3rd - Annette Fletcher
Sewing - Household Creations - Senior - Any Other item, specify
1st - Annette Fletcher
2nd - Ruth Polman
3rd - Jan Strecker
3rd - Sandi Fontana
Stuffed Toy - Senior - Doll
1st - Susan Megeath
Wearable Art - Senior - Applique, Patchwork or Pieced
2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
Wearable Art - Senior - Dyed
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
2nd - Suzi Laskowski
3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
Wearable Art - Senior - Paint or Stencil
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
2nd - Lola Adamczak
3rd - Sandi Fontana
3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
3rd - BJ Fitzpatrick
Textiles BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
Miscellaneous Projects - Junior - Lego Construction
Sponsored by Rainbow Jr. Grange
1st - Jordan Davis
Miscellaneous Projects - Junior - Any Other - please specify
Sponsored by Rainbow Jr. Grange
1st - Jordan Davis
2nd - Jordan Davis
Miscellaneous Projects - Youth - Any other - please specify
1st - Conor Ding
Miscellaneous Projects - Senior - Candles
1st - Sandi Fontana
2nd - Sandi Fontana
Miscellaneous Projects - Senior - Any other - please specify
1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
2nd - BJ Fitzpatrick
3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
3rd - Sandi Fontana
Field Crops & Garden Seed - Senior - Sunflower head
1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
Vegetables - Junior - Peppers (5 pods)
1st - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
2nd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
Nuts - plate display - Junior - Walnuts
1st - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
2nd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
Agricultural Fibers - Junior - Wool Fleece

- 1st - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
- 2nd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
- Agriculture BOS - Best of Show - Junior Best of Show
 - 1st - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
- Agriculture BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
 - 1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
- Photography - Junior, 9 & under - Americana
 - 2nd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
- Photography - Junior, 9 & under - Animals and Other Creatures
 - 2nd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
 - 3rd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
- Photography - Junior, 9 & under - Landscape
 - 2nd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
- Photography - Junior, 9 & under - Plant Life
 - 3rd - Charity Ding/Goldsmith
- Photography - Junior, 9 & under - Trees
 - 2nd - Gracie Goldsmith-Ding
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Agriculture
 - 1st - Jordan Davis
 - 2nd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Americana
 - 2nd - Victoria Davis
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Animals and Other Creatures
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
 - 2nd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Architecture
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Grange, Imagine the Possibility
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
 - 2nd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Holiday Happenings
 - 2nd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Plant Life
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
 - 2nd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
- Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Portrait
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
 - 2nd - Victoria Davis
 - 3rd - Jordan Davis

Photography - Junior, 10 to 13 inclusive - Seascape/Waterscape

2nd - Jordan Davis

3rd - Victoria Davis

3rd - Jordan Davis

3rd - Victoria Davis

Photography - Youth - Agriculture

3rd - Leroy Squire

3rd - Leroy Squire

Photography - Youth - Americana

1st - Mark Lane

Photography - Youth - Animals and Other Creatures

1st - Aubry Bassett

1st - Kassandra Blich

2nd - Mark Lane

2nd - Mark Lane

3rd - Leroy Squire

3rd - Leroy Squire

Photography - Youth - Architecture

1st - Mark Lane

2nd - Leroy Squire

4th - Mark Lane

Photography - Youth - Landscape

2nd - Leroy Squire

2nd - Leroy Squire

Photography - Youth - Plant Life

1st - Mark Lane

2nd - Mark Lane

2nd - Leroy Squire

2nd - Leroy Squire

Photography - Youth - Portrait

1st - Mark Lane

3rd - Mark Lane

Photography - Youth - Seascape/waterscape

1st - Mark Lane

2nd - Leroy Squire

3rd - Mark Lane

3rd - Kassandra Blich

3rd - Leroy Squire

Photography - Youth - Trees

1st - Mark Lane

2nd - Mark Lane

3rd - Leroy Squire

3rd - Leroy Squire

Photography - Youth - Computer Manipulated

3rd - Leroy Squire

3rd - Leroy Squire

Photography - Senior - Agriculture

1st - Lucette Moramarco

2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm

3rd - Suzanne Moramarco

3rd - Denise Ding

- 3rd - Lucette Moramarco
- Photography - Senior - Americana
 - 1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 2nd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 3rd - Suzanne Moramarco
 - 3rd - Lucette Moramarco
- Photography - Senior - Animals and Other Creatures
 - 1st - Suzanne Moramarco
 - 2nd - Sandi Fontana
 - 2nd - Donna Isley
 - 3rd - Sandi Fontana
 - 3rd - Suzanne Moramarco
 - 3rd - Deanna Ding
 - 3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 3rd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - Judith Holden
- Photography - Senior - Architecture
 - 1st - Suzanne Moramarco
 - 2nd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - Suzanne Moramarco
- Photography - Senior - Grange, Imagine the Possibility
 - 1st - Sandi Fontana
 - 2nd - Denise Ding
 - 3rd - Suzanne Moramarco
- Photography - Senior - Holiday Happenings
 - 3rd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - Lucette Moramarco
- Photography - Senior - Landscape
 - 1st - Judith Holden
 - 2nd - Mark Lane
 - 3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 3rd - Mark Lane
- Photography - Senior - Plant Life
 - 1st - Denise Ding
 - 2nd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - Sandi Fontana
 - 3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
- Photography - Senior - Portrait
 - 2nd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
- Photography - Senior - Seascape/Waterscape
 - 1st - Hilary Blich
 - 2nd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - Judith Holden
 - 3rd - Suzanne Moramarco
- Photography - Senior - Trees
 - 1st - Lucette Moramarco
 - 2nd - Lucette Moramarco
 - 3rd - Sandi Fontana

- 3rd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
- Photo Story - Senior - Photo Story
 - 1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 2nd - Lucette Moramarco
- Cellphone Photo Contest - Senior - Portrait
 - 1st - Randy Lewis
- Cellphone Photo Contest - Senior - Landscape/Seascape
 - 1st - Cheri Bunker
 - 2nd - Randy Lewis
 - 3rd - Randy Lewis
 - 3rd - Cheri Bunker
- Photography BOS - Best of Show - Junior Best of Show
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
- Photography BOS - Best of Show - Senior Best of Show
 - 1st - Hilary Blich
- Ag Mechanics - Junior - Small Project, 18"x18"x18" max
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
 - 2nd - Jordan Davis
- Computer Design - Senior - Artwork
 - 1st - Sandi Fontana
 - 2nd - Larrisa Thomas
 - 3rd - Larrisa Thomas
 - 3rd - Sandi Fontana
- Computer Design - Senior - Grange flyer or brochure
 - 1st - Sandi Fontana
 - 2nd - Larrisa Thomas
 - 3rd - BJ Fitzpatrick
- Computer Design - Senior - Grange letterhead
 - 1st - Ileshia Knigge
- Web Page Design - Senior - Web Page
 - 1st - Cheri Bunker
- Woodworking - Junior, 10 - 13 inclusive - Pre-cut, stained or finished
 - 1st - Jordan Davis
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
 - 2nd - Jordan Davis
 - 3rd - Victoria Davis
- Woodworking - Senior - Pre-cut, Painted
 - 2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 2nd - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
 - 2nd - BJ Fitzpatrick
- Woodworking - Senior - Self-cut, painted
 - 1st - Sandi Fontana
- Woodworking BOS - Best of Show - Junior Best of Show
 - 1st - BJ Fitzpatrick
- Sweepstakes - Open - Junior Individual Sweepstakes
 - 1st - Victoria Davis
- Sweepstakes - Open - Youth Individual Sweepstakes
 - 1st - Mark Lane
- Sweepstakes - Open - Senior Individual Sweepstakes
 - 1st - BettyAnn Biringer-Rehm
- Sweepstakes - Open - Junior Grange Sweepstakes

1st - Alpine Junior Grange
Sweepstakes - Open - Subordinate Grange Sweepstakes
1st - Dow's Prairie Grange
Special Awards - Open - Junior Exhibitor - butterflies
1st - Shavonne Donahue
Special Awards - Open - Youth Exhibitor - butterflies
1st - Kassandra Blich
Special Awards - Open - Senior Exhibitor - butterflies
1st - Denise Ding

Section VIII

California Grange Foundation

Minutes

**CALIFORNIA GRANGE FOUNDATION
ANNUAL MEETING**

Orangevale Grange Hall
October 16, 2009

Meeting called to order at 10:30 am by President H. Tom Sawyer.

Roll Call: President H. Tom Sawyer; Vice-President Martha Stefenoni; Directors Bob McFarland, Bob Clouse, Johnny Squire, Inger Bevans and Randall Lewis.

MINUTES: Minutes of the previous year were presented for approval. Motion made by Kathy Bergeron and seconded by Yvette Adams to adopt as written. Motion approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The secretary-treasurer reported the balances in the various funds of the Foundation.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTIONS FOR 2009:

The following awards were selected by the judging committee:

Marta Kroger – Deaf Activities Award	\$2,000
Ashley McDaniel – Sehlmeier Award	\$1,500
Jay Smith – Sehlmeier Award	\$1,500
Travis McDaniel – Sehlmeier Award	\$1,000
Joni Worley – Deaver Award	\$1,000
Kayleigh Lembke – Deaver Award	\$1,000
Sydney Johnson – San Jose Award	\$1,000
Emily Turnquist – Monterey/Santa Cruz	\$1,000

CHANGES IN APPLICATION FORM: Essay is now required which aides in judging. Twenty-three excellent applicants were judged in a period of three hours. Tom thanked the judges: Dale Baker, Bob McFarland and Marian Nichols.

President Sawyer gave information on the Foundation’s purposes, restricted fund uses and Grants allowed. We need to build up our General Fund for assisting Granges with emergency grants. It was suggested that each member or Grange begin making donations to the unrestricted fund. He also stated that we need to update our policy handbook and increase the size of our Board.

There was a general discussion of the composition of the Board and the Officers allowed. The Bylaws allow for up to 21 members on the board. The Board needs more members to provide for more participation.

Motion made by Cheri Bunker to increase the board by an additional four members. Seconded by Johnny Squire. Discussion. A resolution needs to be presented to the membership regarding increasing the board.

Johnny moved to table the motion to next year’s annual meeting. Motion seconded by Joseph Stefenoni. Motion lost. Original motion on the floor. Original motion passed.

Motion made by Cheri Bunker to elect four new members for a two-year term. Seconded by B.J. Fitzpatrick. Motion carried. There was much discussion regarding how to elect new board members. A resolution needs to be adopted first.

NOMINATIONS: Motion made by Kathy Bergeron to table until 5:00 PM to receive a copy of the bylaws. Motion to table was seconded and passed.

Recessed at 11.20 AM

At 5:05 PM, Vice President Martha Stefenoni called the meeting back in session. Johnny Squire moved to table the issue of elections of directors until the next annual meeting of the Foundation. It was seconded by Bob McFarland and carried. The new Board will take up the remaining issue at their next meeting.

The meeting was closed at 5:13 PM.

CALIFORNIA GRANGE FOUNDATION

Sunday, October 19, 2008

The Foundation meeting was called to order at 10:28 AM at the offices of the California State Grange and Grange Foundation in Sacramento. In attendance were H. Tom Sawyer (outgoing director), Randall Lewis, Martha Stefenoni, Johnny Squire, Bruce Brunell, Bob Clouse, Inger Bevans and Bob McFarland (new director).

President Sawyer opened nominations for President. Tom Sawyer was the only nomination. The Secretary cast a white ballot for Sawyer for President. The vote was unanimous ayes. The bylaws allow any member of the Foundation to be elected as an officer. Nominations were opened for Secretary. Martha cast a white ballot for Inger Bevans. The vote was unanimous ayes.

The minutes of the October 16th Annual meeting were distributed and stood approved as presented.

Martha Stefenoni suggested that we hold Foundation meetings separate from CSG Executive Committee meetings. All were in favor.

The Foundation meeting closed at 10:36 AM.

CALIFORNIA GRANGE FOUNDATION

Monday, December 1, 2008

The Grange Foundation Board meeting was held via GrangeSpeak. Those present were H. Tom Sawyer, Bob McFarland, Inger Bevans and Johnny Squire (by telephone). Bruce Brunell communicated earlier regarding the agenda. President Sawyer declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 8:20 PM.

The October 19th minutes were distributed via e-mail. The minutes of the annual meeting on October 16th were approved at the October 19, 2008 meeting.

Bob McFarland moved to approve the proposed agenda. Sawyer declared the items of new business will be taken up at future meetings. The agenda was approved.

Martha Stefenoni was appointed Vice-President, pending her acceptance.

There was discussion on the unrestricted funds available for Foundation expenses. At the end of 2007, there was \$6,016 of unrestricted net assets. Earlier \$1,000 was allowed for legal expenses. Pending the availability of funds, we may need additional legal expense.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

CALIFORNIA GRANGE FOUNDATION
Special e-mail meeting
January 26, 2009 to February 1, 2009

1-26-09

President Tom Sawyer sent the following proposal to all members of the board.

All Foundation board members. I now open an e-mail meeting. I move to implement the proposed changes detailed below. Please respond with yes, no or a discussion.

Here is the proposed revision to the Foundation Funded Scholarships:

We have before decided to combine all scholarships that are not endowments.

I propose to set up three accounts as follows:

1. Endowed grants where we will disperse only money from interest keeping the principal invested.
2. Memorial funds with all memorial grants combined. A book of all donators shall be kept including those that have been closed at this time.
3. A grant fund for all now and future donations that are neither 1 or 2 above. This fund should be restricted in order to build up significant interest to be used for all grants within the Foundation purposes. It is here where we can solicit grants for sizeable amounts. Some of the funds could be used for General Scholarships.

Each year the board assigns funds for all scholarships. We should retain the requirements for scholarships and revise the applications accordingly. At this date we are in a position (I hope) to award \$10,000 as last year; \$2000, \$1500 and \$500; the board shall allocate the award without using the previously named scholarships and shall be awarded without reference to the donor.

Modify the judging procedure to simplify the process.

Revise the Scholarship Procedure and the brochure in accordance with the changes.

1-26-09

Could you let us know what the amount of income to the Foundation has been for 2008? I am not sure we have \$10,000 to be able to donate. I am in favor of making the consolidation of the scholarships though. Will withhold my vote until we know how much \$\$\$ we have.

Sincerely, Randy Lewis

I second the motion to change the scholarship funds into the three catagories as requested. Vote: Yes -
Inger Bevans

1-28-09

The motion has been sent out to all via e-mail recently. We need to complete voting so we can implement by February 1. I have four responses, please help and vote now. HOTOM

1-29-09

I vote yes to the motion. What do we need to accomplish for the website?

Sincerely, Randy Lewis

1-29-09

Sorry, I guess that I missed the motion. I will vote yes to make the changes. -**Bob Clouse**

I vote yes. - **Bob McFarland**
Bruce Brunell voted YES.
Martha Stefenoni voted YES.

1-31-09

I vote yes on the proposed restructuring of the CA Grange Foundation Scholarship program.
Johnny Squire

2-01-09

I now call an end to the e-mail meeting. The motion to revise the scholarship program has been unanimously approved. Thank you all. The changes will be implemented on next Tuesday.
Tom Sawyer

CALIFORNIA GRANGE FOUNDATION

March 14, 2009
Sacramento California

The meeting of the California Grange Foundation was called to order at 1:05 PM by President Tom Sawyer. Roll Call of directors: H. Tom Sawyer, Randall Lewis, Martha Stefenoni, Bob Clouse, Bob McFarland, Johnny Squire and Inger Bevans. Other members present were Marion Nichols, Joseph Stefenoni, Katie Squire and Shirley Baker.

MINUTES: Minutes of December 1, 2008 were presented and approved as written. Minutes of the special meeting on February 1st stood approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Fund balances as of 12/31/08 were presented with a suggested amount of \$8,000 available for scholarship awards in 2009. Bob Clouse moved and Randy Lewis seconded motion to approve \$8,000 in scholarship awards. Motion carried.

Tom reviewed the new plans for operations of the Foundation. All funds donated will be tracked for its intended purpose. Otherwise, general donations will be credited to the general fund.

Randy moved that we eliminate the requirement for board approval of elevator speeches.
Martha seconded the motion and it carried.

PLAN FOR FUND BUILDING:

Tom reviewed the outline for fund building. A Public Relations bulletin needs to be drafted for information to all Granges. Martha stressed the importance of planning how to pay our way, as we rely on the CSG staff to do much of our work. Tom suggested that we review and update our By-laws.

The Scholarship Application scoring sheet was reviewed. It needs more work. The new proposed Essay was discussed for quality requirements.

COMMITTEE FOR JUDGING

Marion Nichols, Dale Baker and Bob McFarland were appointed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob McFarland presented a proposal for creation of a Media Production Lab. Joseph Stefenoni explained how this project would help in our youth and membership outreach. This project meets our educational purpose.

Randy Lewis moved and Martha Stefenoni seconded the motion to grant up to \$5000 for the Media Production equipment.

Martha moved and Bob McFarland seconded that we join the SaveMart “SHARES” program. Motion carried.

Randy suggested that we sign up with “Cars for Causes”. Martha moved that we sign up for this program. Motion seconded by Randy and carried. Martha asked that we sign up for eScript also. Martha moved and Randy seconded to sign up for eScript also. Motion carried.

Next meeting: This will be set later via e-mail. Martha stated that we need full-voting youth members on the board. Tom will be working on a Resolution to increase the number of directors as allowed in the By-laws.

Adjourned at 2:35 PM