

**Friends of Daley Ranch Board Minutes - FINAL**  
**April 9, 2025**

Present: Donna Leon, Rick Mercurio, Chris O'Donnell and Dave Roberts were in attendance.

1. Minutes: Donna opened the meeting at 2:00 pm at the Train Depot. The minutes from the March 12, 2025 meeting were approved by acclamation.
2. Treasurer's Report: The March Treasurer's report was reviewed by Rick and approved by acclamation.
3. Website update: Chris O'Donnell agreed to not only help us with our IT needs but also to join the board! Welcome Chris. Dave added her to our site as an administrator and provided her with login information. She will begin making usability changes as time allows. Dave to schedule a sit-down meeting with Chris and Don Piller to smooth the admin transition. (Don is out of town until May 1.)
4. "Discussions" event, " on April 13: Rick, Donna and Chris to coordinate this Ranch House event. Shuttle to start at 9:30. Headcount as of today was 38. Chris' husband Mike to take pictures at the event.
5. April 5 Earth Day Event: Rick and Dave ran the table at Washington Park. Event attendance was modest. We got 5 new people signed up to be on our mailing list. No donations. :(
6. 7th Grade Field Trips: Rick reported that one week had to be rescheduled due to bad weather. Otherwise, things are going smoothly.
7. ECF Grant Update Status Report: Rick reported that the remaining trash cans were ordered and delivered. And the split rails needed to refurb the Cougar Pass TH parking lot were also ordered. A lay-out for the fencing there was designed.
8. Newsletter: Topics for the next newsletter include: A short Chris bio, a Dick Althouse thank you, the next "Discussions" event announcement, a board member contact list and a redesigned membership box. Rick to price printing the newsletter in color. The board agreed to give this a try unless the price is

exorbitant.

9. Bio Monitoring: Still no update on the bio-monitoring from the Rangers. Rick to enquire at his upcoming meeting with Brian.

10. Other:

> Donna has possession of Jerry's Train Depot key.

> Donna reported that the "MJM Ranch" adjacent to Daley Ranch and the Deer Park Monastery is a possible land acquisition for TECC. The board agreed to support this any way we can.

> Rick to try to contact Dick to try to retrieve the iron ranger key(s). The plan going forward is for Dave to check the iron rangers when he refills the brochure boxes.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 2, at 10:00 am at the Train Depot, pending confirmation of the return of Jerry and Brocade from their overseas trip.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dave Roberts