

Finegold Trust Board

Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2026 via Zoom

Called to Order: 3:11pm

Attendance: Tom, Mary, Dan and Marc. Bill joined at 3:45pm.

Reports:

Daniel: Nothing to report. He wonders how we can get the message to guests about donations. Tom will reach out to the Toppings to see if they can drive their cattle away from the area for the weekend.

Correspondence: A letter from the non-profit insurance alliance about the underwriter and an agent change. Mary will reach out to the agent to confirm no recent changes in operations.

Treasurer's Report: Tabled. We will need reports from January's report to current.

Minutes: Minutes of February 5, 2026 and March 19, 2026 have been provided to all for review. Motion made and seconded to accept the minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Community Advisory Group:

Review of Jesse Cryns proposed business/strategic plan: Tabled TBA when Jesse can join the meeting.

Program Committee: Discussion on the Easter Gathering programs: Easter Egg dying, rock painting, Crooks Mountain hike and acoustic music demo instruction by the Fresno Folk Lore Society. All participants will be expected to volunteer in some capacity and will be coordinated by Mary, Sophie and Zoe.

Attestations: Ron has submitted his conflicts of interest attestation.

Website: MailChimp: Motion made and seconded to allocate the monthly service charge of approximately \$13.00/month automatic deduction for the MailChimp subscription. All in favor. Motion carried. Tom will set up automated welcome email for new website sign-ups before or shortly after Easter.

Treasurer's Position: It's a possibility that either Glory or Aliyah may be open to this position. Marc suggests bringing up the position at the Easter Meadow gathering after speaking with Glory. If unfilled we might want to post the position on the website.

Outhouse update: Marc: the outhouse is nearly complete, siding is up. Jason and the other volunteers have done a nice job. Remaining work: Door construction and cleanup. The access is currently through the grain field.

Porta-potties: Marc reports the porta potties up near the barn are full. Marc and Dan will move them out to the grain field.

Waterline Project update: The waterline is done! So far there are donations made of \$900. We have another donor that has offered up to \$1000.00. The Board approved Jason solicitation of matching funds. The donations should say water line project. Motion made that monies donated and collected over Easter for the waterline project be sent to Jason by April 13, as long as the funds have time to get to the bank to reimburse this expense. All in favor. Motion carried.

The cows have been opening up the spigots in the garden, causing the water tank to drain. Possible solutions are to remove handles or use round handles instead of lever-style. There is still some hand raking needed to smooth out the dirt on the trenches. Some T posts need to be installed to support the spigots in the garden. Jason will coordinate volunteers at the Easter gathering.

New Business:

Tracking Volunteer Hours: The board has received an email from Catherine Calkins with some valuable information on volunteer tracking and suggested hourly valuation rate of \$20.00/hour. She has some suggested forms she provided for tracking. Mary will make a packet/folder to include volunteer waivers and tracking hours. Project leaders will be responsible to have waivers signed and track volunteer hours. Motion made and seconded to establish volunteer valuation rates at \$20/hour. This is for tracking only, no actual money will be exchanged. All in favor. Motion carried. Mary will update Catherine regarding the Board's decision.

Weatherproof bulletin Board: Has been donated by Amy Marshall. Marc to coordinate delivery to Jason's house or the property as well as the installation.

Welcome Packet: The edits have been done. Marc will print up 25 packets and bring them to the Ranch tomorrow.

Emergency information: Tom will edit this, print it and bring to the Ranch before this weekend. It will be located within the bulletin board at the gate house.

Next Meeting: May 7, 2026 at 3pm via Zoom

Meeting Adjourned: 4:07pm

