

Coastal Fund
Minutes of Board of Directors Proceedings
April 28, 2008

The Coastal Fund Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Lexie Brown, Chair.

1. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Pilar Alomia
Kaela Jorgenson
Jessica Spence
Lexie Brown
Cheryl Chen
Jenna Newburn
Joel Armin-Hoiland

Administrative Assistant

Kevin Le

Legislative Council Liaison

Chris Wendle

Coastal Service Program Coordinator

Lauren Cobbe

Outreach Coordinators

Hannah Perry

Grants Manager

Scott Bull

II. Acceptance of Proxies, Tardies, and Excused Absences

Chris Wendle	left early
Kelsey Fisher	absent
Michelle van Oppen	absent

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A new administrative assistant was hired last Thursday! Her name is Katy McCarthy and she is a first year art major. Possibly her first project will be designing an ad for the Enviro Heroes Award program.

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MS Alomia motion to approve.

MSC Jessica, Motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted 7:0.

V. BUDGET REPORT

The Board has \$120,000 left this year to fund projects. There are 18 projects that are requesting a total amount of \$209,000.

VI. PROPOSAL REVIEW

MAJOR FUNDING PROJECT APPLICATIONS

SPR08-04 GreenScreen Environmental Media Program

Last year, when the applicant came for to propose a similar project, it wound up being successful. Her final report was well done and thorough. The films created from the last project were widely distributed and presented at IV Theatre with the Coastal Fund video promo attached to it. This time, she wants to create additional films that will translate pressing coastal issues in the UCSB area to a broad audience to effectively communicate these issues and to incite students and community members to take action. A student project coordinator along with 6 student interns will be participating in the project and they are all undergraduate students. They all will benefit from learning about the coastal issues and learn the process of creating a film. The undergraduate project coordinator will gain supervisory experience in the film setting. The applicant also is very active in securing other funding so she was able to knock off some of the expenses she asked for in the proposal.

MS Cheryl motion to approve this proposal at \$4000 for student stipends.

MSC Newburn, Motion is accepted.

Stipulations include that only the interns working on the coastal films will be paid with the funding.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

SPR08-01 Native Wildlife Rehabilitation Internships

This project proposes to fund student interns into having hands-on experience working with injured, orphaned, oiled, and displaced native wildlife. Students would receive training on ways to educate and inform the public on preserving the biodiversity and ecological integrity of our shorelines and other native habitats.

They would specifically learn how to identify species, feed, wash, and condition. The center receives about 4,000 animals a year and 25% of that are seabirds which include pelicans, cormorants, and gulls. This doesn't include other animals who live in coastal habitats. The center is able to save about 60% of the animals that they rescue. Students working would learn about the process of animal rehabilitation. The applicant expressed interest in the interns giving presentations at local schools to educate kids about wildlife and the dangers they face everyday.

MS Armin-Hoiland motion to approve this proposal at \$4,000.

MSC Cheryl, Motion is accepted.

Stipulations include that the student interns have priority in having hands-on experience in wildlife rehab.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

SPR08-05 Goleta Beach Protection Project/Beach Restoration Alternative

Santa Barbara County has proposed to build a sea wall/ groin that is environmentally damaging that will protect Goleta Beach and the applicant requests funding to provide an alternative plan that is more environmentally sound. Currently, the county armors the shore with ecologically-damaging rock revetments and these actions were largely unpermitted or permitted under emergency situations with limited planning, design, or permitting. The applicant wants to provide a better alternative to educate the community and with the funding, would be able to hire experts to design the Goleta Beach Restoration Project. Goleta beach and beaches further south are accessed by many community members of Goleta and UCSB students and if the county's plan is approved, then the beaches further south would suffer as the seawall would trap sand at Goleta beach and deprive the other beaches of sand and those beaches would waste away. UCSB students and UCSB faculty will be involved in the process.

MS Armin-Hoiland motion to table to be voted at end of quarter

MSC Spence, Motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

SPR08-11 Isla Vista/UCSB Marine Resource Map

This project proposes to create a detailed map of the animal and plant species that are in the area off the beaches of UCSB. There is no map with this information and with it, it would prove useful to students who fish and scuba dive as they would know species in the area. There are some concerns with data as in the past, graduate students and other organizations such as Reef Check, have collected lots of data in the area and the applicants should perform more research into seeing what is available. The Board is concerned with the applicants duplicating already

existing information. Also, there is the matter of technique that the applicants use. The Board prefers if the applicants match the technique that the grad students and Reef Check use in order for the data to be standardized. The number of students affected by the project seem low, as only the applicants and one other student would be involved in the project and the applicants have no definite idea of how to disseminate information. The Board will send the applicants information regarding people to contact and require them to perform more research into their project before making a decision.

MS Chen motion to table this proposal.

MSC Brown, Motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

VII. BUSINESS

Walter Capps Memorial Park

This project is asking donations from Coastal Fund, but the Board is out of money for this year. The Board will ask the project to apply for funding when Fall Quarter starts. This project will convert open space on Del Playa Rd. into a luxurious park that will invite Isla Vistans to recreate in it.

EDC Environmental Heroes Awards Banquet Ad

This is EDC's 15th Annual Benefit Auction and Environmental Heroes Award. They are asking for sponsorships through putting an ad of the organization in their program book. The Board feels that buying an ad will put the name out further into the environmental community. It will be heavily attended by environmental professionals from around the county and the Board wants them to know who and what Coastal Fund does, to make them aware of funding opportunities.

MS Brown motion to approve up to \$500 for an ad in the program.

MSC Chen, Motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

Concert for the Coast

Flyers need to be passed out. Coastal Fund will be tabling at the event from 2PM-4PM. Board members are encouraged to help out with tabling or serving beer in the Beer Garden.

IVRPD Clean-up Efforts

They never emailed Jenna back regarding further information.

AS Banquet May 27

This is the end of the year party for AS and it's on a Tuesday night. It starts at 6PM and they are looking for help at the event.

Job Interviews for Outreach Coordinator

Interviews are ongoing and more are scheduled on Monday.

Coastal Fund Reception May 30

People are needed to help out with set up and acquiring last minute things for the event. On the day of the event, there will be 2 shifts, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The morning crew will get the last minute things and the afternoon crew will set up tables and equipment. Board members are to arrive at the Cliffhouse at 3:30PM. All the presenters for the event have confirmed and Hannah is working on designing the program.

Coastal Service Program Update

All the dates are filled except 2 beach clean ups in May. There were a lot of restoration requests, so more dates for that were added. Manzanita Village might be a new restoration partner.

Spring Social Camping Trip May 31

2 campsites are reserved in Plaskett. Lauren will figure out the process of getting tents and other equipment needed.

Robert Swan Lecture co-sponsorship

MS Chen motion to support for \$250 to pay for AV equipment and lecture hall rental.

MSC Brown, Motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:17PM.

