Coastal Fund Minutes of Board of Directors Proceedings January 26, 2009

The Coastal Fund Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM by Lauren Cobbe, Chair.

1. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present Kaela Jorgenson Joel Armin-Hoiland Lauren Cobbe Quentin Gee LeeAnne French Adrian Evarts

> Administrative Assistant Katy McCarthy

Legislative Council Liaison
Ally Olney

Coastal Service Program Coordinator Kelsey Fisher

Outreach Coordinators Cyan Pei Nikolas Kennedy

Grants Manager Scott Bull

II. ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES, TARDIES, ABSENCES.

Pilar Alomia will be absent from the meeting today. Katy McCarthy will be her proxy.

Acceptance of proxy of Katy McCarthy for Pilar Alomia

MS Jorgenson, motion to approve.
MSC Armin-Hoiland, motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 6:0.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Planning commissioners for Gaviota Coast will have a meeting on Wednesday, go to the website gaviotaaction.com and send an email letting them know what a bad idea it is to develop the Gaviota Coast line.
- **2)** From now on everyone needs to bring their own cups to the meetings, Coastal Fund will no longer provide plastic cups as they are bad for the environment.
- **3)** EAB is handing out coupons for water canteens, talk to Quentin or check out around the arbor for EAB tabling.

IV. UPDATES

Legislative Council: Ally reports that meetings have been short this week and doesn't have too much information to relay. However, the Honoraria bill is coming up in the next couple of weeks. Ally will confirm that Coastal Fund is in fact on that bill.

Surfrider: They had a big meeting last week, they are figuring out logistics for The Concert for the Coast (bands, etc.) They are letting members know about Recyclemania, writing letters to The Gaviota Coast Commissioners, and working on Rise Above Plastics Campaign.

Coastal Service Program: Currently, the Coastal Service Program is totally booked, however CSP has \$700.00 left and is looking to expand to cleaning two beaches closer to Santa Barbara. The board suggests Hendry's and Ledbetter. For Hendry's you need to contact county to ask permission to clean. For Ledbetter the city needs to be contacted. Even though those beaches are technically not on UCSB property, or in Isla Vista, they are beaches that do get used by students, especially those that live in Santa Barbara proper. Additionally, cleaning the beaches is an important learning experience that Coastal Fund wants to be able to share with as many students as possible.

EAB: Applications for Powershift in Washington D.C. are online now if you would like to apply! EAB will be accepting approximately 16 applicants. For Recyclemania EAB is screening a movie called "Garbage" about a family which saves their garbage for three months. It's a great movie that focuses on a lot of issues around garbage, it will be showing on February 12th at 6:30 in the SRB. EAB is also working with the Master Plan people to provide cigarette butt ashtrays

V. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Motion to accept the minutes from January 12th, 2009

MS French, motion to approve. MSC Gee, motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

VI. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MS Armin-Hoiland, motion to approve. MSC Evarts, motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 7:0.

VII. BUDGET REPORT

Coastal Fund has received remaining funds from several projects that have been funded in the past coming to a total of \$3,386.32. Coastal Fund currently has \$162,797.82 in the account.

Motion to approve budget

MS Armin-Hoiland, motion to approve. MSC Jorgenson, motion accepted.

Motion was accepted at 7:0.

VIII. PROPOSAL REVIEW

WINTER09-01 More Mesa Handbook

This project is sponsored by Valerie Olsen from the More Mesa Preservation Coalition (MMPC). More Mesa is a piece of land between Goleta and Santa Barbara which is currently owned but undeveloped. The area is used recreationally and for research by locals and by students as well. A large population of the students live near The Mesa and use it for hiking, walking, biking, etc. and it is definitely in their best interest to ensure its protection from development. The land possesses a variety of different habitats for different species, including the rare white tailed kite and a multitude of plants and flowers. It's currently one of the only undeveloped pieces of coastal property in Santa Barbara county, and it's existence is crucial to the species that live on it. The More Mesa Handbook is a comprehensive source book, providing a summary of all known ecological, recreational, aesthetic, and other resources of More Mesa. It will be used by the general public, public interest groups, policy makers and potential developers. Additionally, Valerie Olsen (applicant) has donated two handbooks to the Davidson library to be used for student and faculty research. It

has become necessary to increase the size of the handbook to include almost twice as much information. As a result there has been a significant shortfall in funding and the original grant secured is not sufficient for the completion of this vital handbook.

Motion to approve funding for More Mesa Handbook at \$2500.00

MS French, motion to approve MSC Cobbe, motion is accepted.

Motion was accepted at 7:0

WINTER09-04 Studies of fouling communities...

This project, run by Mark Page, is to perform research and collect data to help control the spread of invasive exotic species among harbors and natural habitats via boats while at the same time help with water quality issues. This minor funding proposal is to fund the assistance of two interns for 95 hours of work on the issue. This would be an excellent opportunity for two students to work under someone very involved on campus, in the community, as well as with the Department of Boating and Waterways. The students would gain experience conducting research as well as creating a final product of data to submit to policy makers, the community and the DBW.

Motion to approve funding for "Studies of fouling communities..." at \$894.00

MS Armin-Hoiland, motion to approve.

MSC Jorgenson, motion is accepted.

Stipulations: Two undergraduate student interns working a combined total of 95 hours at 9\$/hr.

Motion was accepted at 7:0

WINTER09-06 Habitat Restoration Internship Opportunities, Coal Oil Point Reserve.

COPR currently has a large restoration grant from the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) to restore seven acres of the Devereux Slough margin. They are in the middle of implementing this project and in the most important planting season. Unfortunately, the state funds are frozen and they would miss the planting season if they were to suspend work at this crucial time. The Reserve is requesting emergency funds from the Coastal Fund to support 3 interns in the winter quarter of 2009 and \$100 for supplies. Interns will gain useful experience working with native and invasive species, removal, restoration, plant propagation and seed collection.

Motion to approve funding for Habitat Restoration Internship Opportunities, Coal

Oil Point Reserve at \$910.00.

MS Armin-Hoiland, motion to approve.

MSC Jorgenson, motion is accepted.

Stipulations: Interns are paid 9\$/hr for a total of \$270.00 each

Motion was accepted at 7:0

IX. BUSINESS

1) Foundation Roundtable Dues, \$600.00

This organization provides an awesome networking opportunity for Coastal Fund to connect with local non-profit groups.

Motion to approve \$600.00 for Foundation Roundtable annual dues.

MS French, motion to approve.

MSC Armin-Hoiland, motion is accepted.

Motion accepted at 7:0

2) Winter Retreat/Brunch February 8th, 10AM

Will be held at 6681 Del Playa at Joel's house. It will run from 10-1. Breakfast burritos will be provided. This is mandatory.

3) Concert for the Coast

Coastal Fund is co-sponsoring Concert for the Coast on May 30th. The cost is \$3,250.00, of this \$1000.00 will be reimbursed.

Motion to approve \$3250.00 to co-sponsor Concert for the Coast

MS Jorgenson, motion to approve.

MSC Gee, motion is accepted.

Motion accepted at 7:0

4) Final Report Form Review

Board suggestions: move accounting to the beginning of the form and build a table for funded projects to fill out, educational benefit section could be eliminated because of internship evaluation review... Board request that everyone go over it and create some suggestions of changes that could be make before the retreat. Board chair suggests that at the beginning of every quarter The Board reviews final reports.

5) Internship Evaluation Review

Board chair suggests that there be a question on the form asking how wage affected their internship experience. Add to the end of the first question whether

or not students thought their funding was adequate.

6) Scholarship: Will be reviewed at retreat

Motion to Adjourn

MS Alomia, motion to approve. MSC Cobbe, motion accepted.

The Coastal Fund Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM by Lauren Cobbe