

Coastal Fund
Minutes of Board of Directors Proceedings
October 25, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Coastal Fund Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:15PM by Pilar Alomia, Chair.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Pilar Alomia
Michelle Petitfils
Quentin Gee
Danni Storz
Donovan Maccarone
Tanya Jones
Leslie Stirling

Administrative Assistant

Miranda Walker

Legislative Council Liaison

Dina Varshavsky

External Vice President of Local Affairs Liaison

Taylor Fulton

Coastal Service Program Coordinator

Emma Panish

Outreach Coordinators

Jennifer Verhines
Erica Aguilera

Advisor

Scott Bull

II. ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES, TARDIES, ABSENCES.

MOTION to accept proxies, tardies, and absences:

MS Alomia

MSC Storz

Motion was approved at 7:0

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Petitfils visited the trail that the applicant Lisa Stratton referred to across from the Alumni House. The scenery was great with lots of shrubs and plants, but the trail is not well cleaned or easy to bike/walk. If Stratton's project is to be approved, she will need to clear the trail and make it more accessible.

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MOTION to accept minutes from 10/18/10:

MS Petitfils

MSC Storz

Motion was approved at 7:0

V. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MOTION to accept agenda for 10/25/10:

MS Gee

MSC Alomia

Motion was approved at 7:0

VI. BUDGET

- a. Total Account: \$257,598.77
- b. Available to Projects: \$188,441.80
- c. Operating

Total Expenses: \$1,783.66

Total Account: \$10,716.34

- d. Grants / Projects

Total Expenses: \$137,451.80

VII. BUSINESS

1. Work Schedule
2. Representative Report
 - a. Legislature Representative: Legislative Council held an event that gave the opportunity for students and staff to meet with the AS Congress (Legislative Representatives and Executive Officers) in Loma Paloma of which went well.
 - b. Surfrider: Unfortunately, Surfrider did not manage to attend the Whale Wars event last week. This weeks meeting will regard the Goleta Beach.

- c. EAB: Currently EAB is in anticipation for the social justice week the week of November 15th where Green Chef will appear and November 18th's "Thirsty Thursday" (a wheel game and a featured speaker). Last week's IV Co-op County Fair went well, and there was a phone banking that took place regarding prop23 put on by Calpirg. This week will be a Garden Party 5PM on Monday, Adopt-a-Block on Friday at 3PM and Saturday 10AM-4PM (with prizes and food) and an IV Surfrider/Coastal Fund/EAB beach clean-up 11AM on Sunday (meeting first at the IV Surf Shop).
 - d. EVPLA: EVPLA is continuing to work towards the Halloween town forum. Saturday night a scary movie marathon will run from 6PM to 2AM in the park, while Adopt-A-Block coordinators are working towards having a clean-up every day this weekend, Friday through Monday.
3. Administrative Assistant Report: the minutes from the last meeting have been written up and finalized this week, business cards are still in the process of being made for Coastal Fund Staff, the budget and project list have been updated, the Coastal Fund FileMaker database has been updated with this quarters applicants, and previous education and outreach applicants were contacted last week. This week board member name cards will be updated, online summaries for Spring 2009 will be written, and grad applicants will be contacts for regarding winter opportunities for a board position.
4. Coastal Service Program Report: flyers at the activities fair were handed out last week and the Halloween Adopt-A-Block clean up will take place this upcoming weekend. In addition, new folders have been made which includes Coastal Fund merchandise (pens, stickers, etc) for clean up and tree planting groups.
5. Outreach and Education Report:
 - a. EVENTS
 - i. Paul Watson of "Whale Wars" Lecture Recap: tabled and sold shirts.
 - ii. Activities Fair Recap: really fun, at least 6 shirts were sold, as well as bags. A lot of people wanted to get involved, so a sign up sheet was started. Those interested will be added to the email list serve for future events with Coastal Fund outreach.
 - iii. IV Food Co-op Country Fair Recap: the pumpkin craft came out great, and a lot of shirts were sold (outreach may potentially order more).
 - b. Social Media – Facebook, Twitter – follow, add friends, help promote the FB/Twitter CF pages! The number of monthly active users has increased, as well as the number of likes and site visits.

6. Meet with EDC Executive Director, Thursday, October 28th, 4PM
7. Sandy Beach Food Web, Oct 27th, 9AM: cancelled, will be rescheduled at the next meeting.
8. Fall 2010 Retreat, November 7th from 9AM to 2PM: Alomia will finalize the location in the immediate future. Potential sites include El Capitan Canyon and the Endless Summer Café.

VIII. FUNDED PROJECT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

FALL09-23 Internships in Conservation and restoration at Coal Oil Point Reserve

Stirling spoke with Coal Oil Point Reserve's Christine Sandoval who said that the project was a great experience, and the only disappointing factor was the occasional intern dropped due to over commitment. Because no intern evaluations were found Stirling contacted each intern, one of which replied describing the project enjoyable and suggesting future campus awareness of Snowy Plovers.

FALL09-18 Restoration Intern Training Program

Jones has not yet contacted the applicant, Lisa Stratton, but the application does contain a final report. As the file does not have all intern evaluations, Jones has contacted each of the interns to speak with them directly regarding the internship experience.

FALL09-19 UCSB Interns for Ambassadors of the Environment Program & Matching Grant for Ambassadors of the Environment (outdoor education program at El Capitan Canyon)

Jones has tried emailing Laura Brands and placed two phone calls in an effort to discuss the project, however no contact can be made. At the present, it is understood that Laura Brands is on maternity leave. There is no final report; Brands will likely request an extension. Also, no intern evaluations have been received.

IX. APPLICATION REVIEW

FALL10-05 Arroyo Hondo Preserve Habitat Restoration & Intern Program

The Arroyo Hondo Preserve is a 782-acre property on the Gaviota Coast. The Land Trust for Santa Barbara County purchased this property in 2001 and manages it for conservation and public access consistent with natural resource protection. The Land Trust has operated a Habitat Restoration Program with volunteers and frequent interns since 2002. The focus is restoration of the riparian corridor and enhanced habitat for endangered and sensitive species, including steelhead trout. The interns will participate in all aspects of habitat restoration, including infill planting on the east side of the creek, invasive plant removal, seed collection, and maintenance of restoration sites. The board feels that rates for both the biologist and restoration assistant is too high. However, to ensure that the biologist's time is spent with the interns, the biologist is funded

at a limited rate. The Project funds primarily funds internships with hands on learning experience in watershed and coastal restoration

MOTION to fund FALL10-05 \$10,300.00

STIPULATION: the project biologist will be reduced to \$2,000.00 for \$25/hr at 40hrs/quarter, the project restoration assistant will be reduced to \$500.00, the plant purchases will remain at \$4,000.00, supplies will be increased to \$800, and the restoration interns will remain at \$3,000.00.

MS Petitfils

MSC Storz

Motion was approved at 7:0

FALL10-10 Devereux Native Tree Nursery Project

Goleta Valley Beautiful, in conjunction with Devereux of Santa Barbara, subleases a greenhouse on University grounds near Coal Oil Point. With the assistance of Developmentally Disabled clients and UCSB student interns and volunteers, GVB is growing 2,000 native trees and planting an average of 500 trees annually in public areas of the Goleta Valley including the UCSB campus that will protect and enhance watersheds leading to the ocean. This grant continues their organic operations to accommodate interns interested in learning about arboriculture and greenhouse operations in addition to providing trees for volunteer planting projects. The board feels that this project fulfills Coastal Fund's mission to help preserve and restore the biodiversity of trees locally and offers several UCSB students, two quarters, the opportunity to become more educated and aware of important tree planting. The money requested is going directly to pay student stipend internships and necessary nursery supplies.

MOTION to fund FALL10-10 \$9,700.00

STIPULATION: There is an additional two interns per quarter for outreach with the stipulation that the board approves the job descriptions.

MS Gee

MSC Petitfils

Motion was approved at 7:0

X. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 08:36PM

MOTION: Motion to adjourn

MS Petitfils

MSC Stirling

Motion was approved at 7:0