

Shoreline Preservation Fund Minutes of Board of Directors Proceedings November 28, 2005

The Shoreline Preservation Fund Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 5:07 PM by Jennifer Greeley, chair.

I. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Greeley
Kelley Neumann
Vanessa Janss
Kavita Kapur
Joel Armin-Hoiland
Theodore Ehlert
Victor Frankel
Nichole Price

Administrative Assistant:

Danielle Storz

Legislative Council Liaison Present:

Jennifer Greeley

Coastal Service Program Coordinator:

Lauren Cobb (Absent)

Advisor Present:

Scott Bull

II. ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES, TARDIES, AND EXCUSED ABSENCES

None

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

None

V. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Last week's minutes will be approved through e-mail due to technical difficulties that happened during the sending process.

VI. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Agenda accepted with the addition of the West Campus Bluffs update.

MS Greeley: Approve Agenda

MSC Kapur: Motion is approved unanimously

V. BUDGET REPORT

Scott Bull, Advisor

We have spent a total of \$77,466.99 which leaves \$60,226.85 to fund out for the rest of the year. So far this year approximately 17,000 has been funded out.

VI. PROPOSAL REVIEW

A. MINOR FUNDING PROJECT APPLICATIONS

F05-29 Ambassadors of the Environment at El Capitan

Lori Pye is requesting funding to implement the Ambassadors of the Environment program, geared toward 4-12th graders, which uses experiential education with scientific excursions into the marine and terrestrial environments and also instructs on how to live more sustainably on our planet. The goals of this project are (1) to give students a positive view of themselves, (2) to develop knowledge and respect for the outdoor world, (3) to give students life skills in communication, teamwork, responsibility, and friendship-building that will help them throughout life, and finally (4) to inspire youth to live more sustainably and take responsibility for their future. The board approved funding this project, and the applicant will receive the full amount requested of \$500.00

MS Price: Approve \$500.00

MSC Frankel: Motion approved 6-0-1.

B. MAJOR FUNDING APPLICANTS

F05-03 Environmental Studies 134

Dr. Michael McGinnis, a professor in the Environmental Studies Department, requested funds to teach Environmental Studies 134: Coastal Processes and Management. The course will provide a comprehensive profile of the ecology, human uses, and management framework for the Southern California Bight, a recognized marine ecosystem off southern California. The board decided against this project because of the following reasons: (1) It was felt that the ES department wasn't that supportive of this class, (2) This class contains redundant topics from another class, (3) This class wouldn't attract outside majors. The board did think that it was possible they would match funds with the ES department to implement this class in the spring quarter.

MS Price: Deny

MSC Janss: Motion approved 4-1-2.

F05-05 Regional Program for Development of UCSB Ocean Coastal Policy Center

Dr. Michael McGinnis is requesting funds to develop two main programs at the Ocean and Coastal Policy Center that include the following two initiatives: (1) the development of the Center's first student intern program or "fellows program" and (2) the production of a short *PSA* film on the Naples coastal and marine environmental for public distribution and education via a website. The board denied the project because they felt it was unclear how this website would be unique from other websites. They felt the interns work for college credit. They felt that the money wasn't needed because the movies are already in the process of getting made and they didn't see the tangibility to the SPF mission.

MS Neumann: Deny

MSC Frankel: Motion approved 6-0-1.

F05-06 Coastal and Ocean Law and Policy: Interdisciplinary Approach

Gail Osherenko is requesting funds to redesign ES 123, Coastal and Ocean Law and Policy by incorporating five lectures/discussions led by Satie Airame. The board had the following issues concerning this project: They aren't comfortable funding classes because it doesn't reach all the students. They also aren't comfortable funding salaries. Furthermore, previous classes guest lecturers have been paid from the professor's own salary. However, they felt that Satie Airame's contribution to the class was significant and decided to fund the class.

MS Neumann: Approve \$1750.00

MSC Price: Motion approved 5-1-1.

F05-08 Education and Outreach Internship

Dr. Allison Whitmer of the Marine Science Institute along with Scott Emerson Simon are requesting funding to further its Education and Outreach Internship Program, which offers UCSB undergrads the opportunity to extend their learning through experiential education in marine and environmental science. This program also conducts tours for the public and K-12 classes at the REEF and through visits to tri-county classrooms. The board was very frustrated with Scott's proposal since it was very unclear how the money was being distributed. Also, they feel that the REEF can be run by volunteers since many major aquariums conduct education outreach with volunteers. The board decided to fund the lead aquarist at \$8.33 per hour and also the Blue Water Task Force that was included in this proposal for \$1000. There is also the stipulation to find funding elsewhere until Fall 2007.

MS Kapur: Fund \$6009.19

MSC Janss: Motion approved 5-1-1.

F05-10 Buffer Protection and Restoration at CORP

Dr. Cristina Sandoval is requesting funds to continue on the restoration habitat at Coal Oil Point Reserve. Specifically, this project will continue the restoration of the northern boundary, western boundary, the pond trail and the east end of the Devereux Slough. The funding will go towards supplies, stipends for student interns, stipend for the Restoration Ecologist Consultant, salary for the Restoration Technician/Volunteer Coordinator and research related communication costs. The board liked this project and voted to fund the full amount, however with the stipulation to find funding elsewhere for two years.

MS Frankel: Approve 11,638.00

MSC Neumann: Motion approved 4-0-3.

F05-13 Determining the Spatial and Temporal Variations of Tar Accumulation

Tonya Del Sontro is requesting funds to determine the spatial and temporal variation of tar accumulation. The proposal is a re-application to fund stipends for interns and also to pay for supplies. The board decided not to pass this project because the budget is too tight and they feel a volunteer can help her with the collection of data. Also, they are concerned about the scientific relativity of the results. They still want the

money funded for the education outreach aspect during the last funding cycle to be used for that.

MS Ehlert: Deny

MSC Frankel: Motion approved 6-0-1.

F05-14 Del Playa Open Space Vernal Pool Restoration

Karen Flagg and Don Hartley are requesting funding to restore the last remaining ocean bluff vernal pool at the west end of Del Playa Drive. They will be using the plan written by David Hubbard, a consulting biologist with UCSB. The funding will go towards three signs in that area explaining the project, black plastic to lay down on the ground in order to kill weeds, and Integrated Pest Management supplies. The board decided to allocate \$2500 towards a permanent sign as well as \$3000 for the project manager.

MS Kapur: Motion to approve \$5500.00

MSC Frankel: Motion approved 5-1-1.

F05-16 Snowy Plover Docent Program at COPR

The Santa Barbara Audubon Society is requesting funds to enrich and maintain the Snowy Plover Docent Program, an education program that aims to protect and preserve the Western Snowy Plover and its habitat. The funds will go to pay the Docent Coordinator Stipend as well as the Undergraduate Internship Stipend, also additional supplies needed. The board decided to fund half of the coordinator's time, half of the intern's time and all of the supplies.

MS Price: Motion to approve \$4,347.48

MSC Janss: Motion approved 4-0-3.

F05-17 Coronado Butterfly Preserve Habitat Enhancement

Jason Nelson is requesting funding to continue habitat enhancement efforts at the Coronado Butterfly Preserve, which has been funded by SPF over the past three years. The funding will go towards equipment and tools and to student intern stipends. Jason previously met with the board and discussed some possible cut-outs from the funding requested. The board decided to approve \$1000.00 for the student interns, \$2000.00 for the plants and \$100.00 for the supplies.

MS Kapur: Motion to approve \$3100.00

MSC Neumann: Motion approved unanimously.

F05-18 Birds of the UCSB Campus

The UCSB Center for Biodiversity and Ecological Restoration requested funds to produce a book entitled “The Birds of the UCSB Campus.” The purpose is to share information that explains the existence of birds and their habitat relationships to the natural and restored areas on the UCSB campus. The board felt that this project doesn’t have to get done right away and also that the books wouldn’t be accessible to all the students due to the high price of them.

MS Kapur: Motion to deny

MSC Janss: Motion approved 4-2-1.

VII. BUSINESS

1. SPF Social

There will be a get together for the SPF board in the beginning of winter quarter! WOO HOO!

2. Site Visits for Winter Quarter

The following projects are some of the projects the board has funded this past quarter and we will be visiting them during the winter quarter:

- Arroyo Hondo Preserve Habitat Restoration
- The Ambassadors of the Environment at El Capitan
- Coal Oil Point Reserve
- Snowy Plover Docent
- The Deverough Slough
- The REEF

3. Pre-proposal for Spring Quarter

Before applying for funding during Spring quarter, applicants will now have a pre-proposal. This will be a one page description of what the project the applicant is requesting funds for. The applicant will then be informed on whether or not to apply for funding, depending on the groups interest.

This is to prevent applicants from writing out a huge proposal and never seeing funding.

4. West Campus Bluffs Update

Scott Bull met with Marsha and learned that the Geography Department is putting maps together to complete the West Campus Bluffs package that would go to Coastal Commission.. If the project is ready to go to Coastal Commission when this last step is finished, then we have a better

chance for the West Campus Bluffs project to be completed sooner.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM by consent.

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