



COASTAL FUND

UC SANTA BARBARA

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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Minutes of Board of Directors Proceedings
November 3, 2008

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

1. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Pilar Alomia
Kaela Jorgenson
Jenna Newburn
Joel Armin-Hoiland
Lauren Cobbe
Quentin Gee

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 leaving early tonight and Ally will be her proxy.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. VOTE! Please vote tomorrow!
2. Clean-a-ween was fabulous! Over 150 kids showed up, all the t-shirts were given out, lots of good food, it was really great.
3. Proposition 7, although it is important that more propositions regarding alternative energy pass, is not as great as it seems. All major environmental organizations are against it. Consider voting against it.

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MS Alomia, motion to accept the minutes.
MSC Jorgenson, motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 6:0.

V. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MS Newburn, motion to approve.
MSC Jorgenson, motion is accepted.

The Motion was accepted at 6:0.

VI. BUDGET REPORT

The Board currently \$268,787.00 in the bank for grants/projects, plus an additional expected \$23,000.00 from Graduate student lock-in fees.

VII. PROPOSAL REVIEW

FALL08-09 - Developing Adaptive Policy to Climate Disturbance in Santa Barbara

This project would provide support to Dr. McGinnis and 4 interns in researching and writing-up a regional plan on the expected impacts of climate disturbance on the coastal marine areas of Santa Barbara County. The regional plan would include policy tools that will be used to update SB County-wide plans, including the Gaviota local coastal plan. The project also proposes to host 3 public workshops to educate the community and garner feedback from citizens, students, and local government officials. UCSB is situated amongst one of the most biodiverse and fragile coastal ecosystems in the world. While California is encouraging local governments to develop regional blueprint plans in their general plans, yet there exists no such plan for SB. Dr. McGinnis recently studied on a Fulbright Grant biodiversity loss due to climate change in the Adriatic Sea, Monte Negro, a Mediterranean ecosystem very similar to Santa Barbara's. Consequences he witnessed included increased acidification of the ocean, and severe coastal erosion. In the next 20 years we could lose lobsters and other marine species with exoskeletons composed of calcium carbonate. Since the federal government isn't doing anything in terms of climate change, it's crucial that local governments have information enabling them to change local coastal plans to protect the coast. Climate change is something that will affect everyone in Santa Barbara, from local citizens to marine researchers and students at UCSB. If a proper plan isn't implemented, local authority will continue to attempt to compensate for the effects of climate change improperly; expending lots of money on quick fixes like beach replenishment (trucking sand on to the beach only to have it washed away). This project also supports a truly amazing experience for 4 students to get to work directly under a world-class scientist and researcher. These students will learn to compile and assimilate data, turn that into a blue print regional plan for our county and then practice PR and presentation through the 3 public workshops. These students are

given the ability to wield political power and have a long-lasting effect on the future of our coast.

Approval of funding of \$20,802.00 to FALL08-09, Developing Adaptive Policy to Climate Disturbance in Santa Barbara

MS Alomia, motion to approve.

MSC Gee, motion approved.

Motion Accepted at 5:0. 1 abstain.

Stipulations: Add an additional \$2,000.00 for intern assistance, specifically for even more qualified student with GIS experience for a minimum of 4 interns; 3 undergrad. For a total of \$5,000.00 in intern costs. We encourage additional interns to be compensated with units.

FALL08-07 - Greenhouse Native Tree Ongoing Management Project

This purpose of this project is to maintain and improve upon the Goleta Valley Beautiful greenhouse, as well as to hire interns to work in the greenhouse. Goleta Valley Beautiful is very active in Santa Barbara and Goleta and has included a lot of student volunteers in their work restoring native trees to the area. Last year they had 1,247 volunteers, 80% of that being UCSB students. The trees prevent erosion, hold down rainwater, and purify the air. The GVB Greenhouse is crucial to this process because it's where the cloned saplings are started and kept until they're big enough to be planted. This has a higher success rate than just planting seeds. With the cooperation of CCBER GVB has now started planting trees on campus. The board and GVB would like to increase the number of internships to at least 6 total interns each quarter.

Approval of funding of \$8,100.00 to FALL08-07, Greenhouse Native Tree Ongoing Management Project

MS Alomia, motion to approve.

MSC Cobbe, motion approved.

Motion Accepted at 6:0.

Stipulation: Increase amount of interns to 6 per quarter, for a total of \$1500.00 per quarter for two quarters.

FALL08-11 - Reef Check California

Reef Check wasn't able to make it for the meeting tonight; however, The Board has compiled a set of questions to be mailed to them for responses.

- On the budget, could you break down the section on training materials? What does that include, what are the exact costs? Who receives, those, etc.
- In terms of the Data Management cost, who is doing that? Why is the salary 37\$/hr?

And what does the Data Management include?

- Are you planning on applying for funding from Coastal Fund indefinitely?
- In regards to the Timeline, The Board would like a month by month breakdown of the project's planned activity. Also, if you could elaborate on the speaking engagements: Who will be speaking, about what, where, etc. A more comprehensive breakdown would really assist the Board.
- You noted that you are applying for funding from the SB Foundation for training supplies, when will you know whether or not you've received that grant?
- How many total people do you think this project will affect? On what level?

VIII. BUSINESS

1) Leg Council Update

Chair of the committee on committees retired. The student financial crisis meeting regarding taxing lock-in fees had an OK turnout. The problem here is that the UC is looking for ways to creatively get money from students without raising tuition. This would affect Coastal Fund because our lock-in fees would be taxed, perhaps up to 8%.

2) Coastal Fund Board Member Search Committee Update

Jenna and Scott interviewed a guy tonight that seemed nice, well-qualified. Many more interviews to be held. Need to get more departments notified.

3) Outreach Update

Beaches guide is coming along. Outreach is going to be tabling in the Arbor this week, Tuesday and Thursday from 1-3. They'll be giving out bumper stickers, selling shirts, telling people about us, everyone is welcome to drop by and say what's up and help table. Outreach got clearance from Finance Board to spend Coastal Fund money (up to \$350) for prizes for the Photo Contest! Our prizes are going to be a \$50 gift card to Jamba, \$100 to the bookstore, \$200 to Patagonia. The Photo contest due date is set for February 9th. Cyan gave the changes to Sean for our website and is waiting to see them happen. The Bumper stickers are in, stop by the office and pick up a couple. The Outreach team is planning for our retreat, The Board should give them suggestions for food.

The Coastal Fund Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM by Jenna Newburn, Chair.