

Coastal Fund  
Minutes of Board of Directors Proceedings  
February 1, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Coastal Fund Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 06:01 PM by LeeAnne French, Chair.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Kaela Jorgenson  
Pilar Alomia  
Michelle Petitfils  
Quentin Gee  
LeeAnne French  
Jessica White  
Katy McCarthy

Administrative Assistant

Miranda Walker

Legislative Council Liaison

Elizabeth Farrington (absent)

Coastal Service Program Coordinator

Emma Panish

Outreach Coordinators

Carly Keen  
Jennifer Verhines

Grants Manager

Scott Bull

II. ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES, TARDIES, ABSENCES.

Absent: Elizabeth Farrington

Tardy: Jennifer Verhines

Temporary proxy: Quentin and Jessica 7:30-8:15

MOTION to accept proxies, tardies, and absences:

MS White

MSC McCarthy

Motion was approved at 7:0

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements made.

#### IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MOTION to accept minutes for 01/25/10:

MS McCarthy

MSC Jorgenson

Motion was approved at 7:0

#### V. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MOTION to accept agenda for 02/02/10:

MS White

MSC McCarthy

Motion was approved at 7:0

#### VI. BUDGET

##### a. Operating

Total Expenses: \$13,743.66

Total Account: \$6,556.34

##### b. Grants / Projects

Total Expenses: \$122,123.00

Total Account: \$110,844.74

#### VII. FUNDED PROJECT UPDATE

SPR09-06 Internships and Trail Improvement at COPR

- a. There has been difficulty contacting Christina Sandoval via phone and will attempt to email the applicant; no updates available.

SPR09-21 Beach Ecosystem: Nutrient Sponge and Recycling Plant

- a. Gee attempted to contact Brian via phone, but the phone number given on the application is disconnected and no longer works. Gee went further and tried to contact Brain through the Bren School and left a message. Contact will be made by email if possible.

The following projects will be scheduled for review Monday, February 1: SPR09-06 by Alomia and SPR09-21 by Gee.

#### VIII. BUSINESS

##### 1. Representative Report

- a. EAB: New brochures have been made and the Haiti Relief Benefit was very successful. \$8,000.00 was donated and will be matched by AS for a total of \$16,000.00 that will be distributed among several different organizations to help Haiti. The environmental Justice Benefit took place last week and went well. The Sustainable Food groups went to Sheppard Farms organic farm and it was a good experience. EAB also received a report of the Copenhagen trip.
- b. Surfrider: During last week's meeting, teams broke into their respective committees. The Concert for the Coast is still being planned, the plastics are continuing to survey, and the cigarette butt campaign has continued to table and make posters (the campaign is to vote to have the issue appear on the county-wide ballot). The trip to Naples last Saturday went well – it included a 2 \_ hour walk along the low tide. Surfrider met with Mike Lundsford who was very knowledgeable about the coast. The next meeting will be at someone's house to watch a coastal movie.
- c. Legislative Council: Not available due to Farrington's Absence.

## 2. Coastal Service Program Report

- a. Continuing to work out details for "Give a Day, Get a Day".
- b. There are 19 beach clean-ups, 10 restorations, and 12 organizations on the waiting list. Parish continues to call/email for other areas in need of cleaning or restoration. Suggestions welcome

## 3. Outreach and Education Report

- a. Third Annual Photo Contest: Deadline Fri, Feb 12
- b. Screening of End of the Line Wednesday, Feb 10, 7:00PM IV Theater2
- c. There has been a redesign of the t-shirts that entails a new organic cotton shirt in a natural color, made with water-based dyes. Shirts will cost \$9.50 each, tanks \$8.30 each and 200 will be ordered. They will be sold at \$10 each.  
MOTION to pass \$2,100.00 for Outreach and Education Coordinators to order new shirts.  
MS White  
MSC Alomia  
Motion was approved at 7:0
- d. Two press releases have been written and will be forwarded to French for review.

## 4. Office Hours have been rearranged and board members must contact Bull or Walker within 24 hours if they will not be attending their office hours that week.

5. Partnership for Excellence Conference Thurs, Feb 18: White and French will attend in the morning while Gee attends in the afternoon.
6. Coal Oil Point Reserve restoration budget reallocation request - \$1,100.00 tree trimming: COPR requests to use the remaining balance of \$1,100 that was intended for student interns, and was not used, and apply it towards tree trimming (specifically denied funding when application was initially funded)  
MOTION to deny the request to re-appropriate the \$1,100.00 for tree trimming on the basis that the money allocated was for funding student participation only and Coastal Fund would like to stay focused in the direction of the students. \$1100 unspent funds to be returned.  
MS French  
MSC McCarthy  
Motion was approved at 7:0

7. Winter Social Feb 27, Naples: hike and picnic

#### X. APPLICATION REVIEW

##### **WIN10-09 Restoring Coastal Dunes to Learn the Effects of Invasive Iceplant on Insects and Other Anthropods**

The biodiversity and ecological functioning of rare coastal dunes at Coal Oil Point Reserve are threatened by invasive iceplant. This invasion is likely impacting the native community of arthropods, which are an essential component of the food web and are vital to proper ecosystem functioning. Habitat will be restored in experimental plots where the effects of iceplant invasion and habitat restoration on native arthropod assemblages are investigated. Local volunteers and an undergraduate intern will participate in the effort, promoting ecological appreciation and providing career experience. This comprehensive study will repair habitat while improving restoration techniques and increasing ecological understanding.

MOTION to fund WIN10-09 \$6,040

STIPULATION: There will be 2 interns for 2 quarters for \$1,200 rather than the proposed \$1,660 hourly compensation for one intern. Coastal Service Program will provide Denise with support for weekend restoration efforts, and all future posters, banners, etc related to this project have the CF logo

MS Alomia

MSC Jorgenson

Motion was approved at 5:0

##### **WIN10-03 Lagoon Breaching in Santa Barbara**

The research objective of this study is to investigate the interactions of watershed hydrology, lagoon geomorphology and hydrology, and tidal levels in controlling the breaching of lagoons in Santa Barbara County. Lagoon breaching is a geomorphic

process that affects the survival of steelhead trout, one of the most endangered species on earth, and the endangered tidewater goby. Lagoon breaching is one of the main determinants of lagoon habitat quality because it strongly controls the water quality within the lagoon, and controls migration from the ocean to streams.

MOTION to fund WIN10-03 for four Solinist totaling \$1580, one Barotroll for \$395, one docking station for \$300, and 4 Piezometers for \$320 and also excludes funding for transportation.

MS French

MSC Gee

Motion was approved at 5:02

#### **WIN10-06 Coastal Wild Heritage Project**

The Coastal Wild Heritage Project is a new effort to permanently preserve more than 20,000 acres in the Santa Ynez Mountains above UCSB, from Ellwood Canyon to Refugio Pass. The lands are part of the Los Padres National Forest. The project seeks to add these lands to the National Wilderness Preservation System, the country's highest level of land protection. Doing so will permanently protect the upper watersheds of coastal creeks that directly impact the UCSB shoreline and surrounding areas.

MOTION to fund WIN10-06 for 3 student interns, printing, website design and maintenance, for a total of \$6,800.00. Funding excludes the GIS software and Field Expenses.

MS Jorgenson

MSC Alomia

Motion was approved at 7:0

#### **X. ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 08:55PM

MOTION: Motion to adjourn

MS French

MSC Alomia

Motion was approved at 7:0