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First meeting of Spring Quarter
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FINAL MINUTES
Shoreline Preservation Fund
Board of Directors Meeting
April 4, 2005

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM by Sara Abramson

Roll call

Board Members Present:
Sarah Abramson
Nichole Price
Sarah Minczeski
Sarah Hooper
Vanessa Janss
Kavita Kapur
Joel Armin

Board Members Absent:
none

Proxy:
none

Legislative Council Liaison Present:
Jennifer Greeley

Advisor Present:
Scott Bull
II. Announcements

- More Mesa News Letter was sent out to ~1,500 people in good timing to address the issue of the planned housing development in the mesa area, good press for SPF
- An important and fun EAB meeting is happening this Tuesday at the Music Bowl at 7:00pm
- It is still possible to nominate students and organizations for the annual University Awards but must do it ASAP, because the official deadline was Mon the 4th at 5pm.

III. Acceptance of Minutes

No minutes to be approved

IV. Acceptance of Agenda

Bull added a few items to the agenda

V. Budget Report

Review of funds expended from budget account and operating expenses. We received Fall and Spring monies from the Graduate Student Fees giving a new total of $61,000 remaining for future projects. We are still expecting $8,500 from the GSA in the near future as well.

VI. Project Review

A. MINOR FUNDING PROJECT APPLICATIONS

SPF Spring05-01 “IV Surfrider Website”

Surfrider applied for $400 to pay a tech to create a more accurate and updated website as well as to maintain the site through spring quarter. The board felt it fit our mission statement and that it would be a valuable resource for connecting other environmental websites as well as posting Blue Water Task Force water quality results. The board also felt that $10/hr is very reasonable.
Motion: Approve (Hooper, Price 7-0)

B. MAJOR FUNDING PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Coastal Processes Class

Professor Marc McGinnis requested funding for a course that the Environmental Studies department is unable to fund as it exceeds their lecture-class funds. Board will review and discuss next meeting.

Camino Lindo Vernal Pool Restoration Project

Dave Hubbard is seeking funding for vernal pool restoration, board will also review and discuss next meeting.

Isla Vista Beach Access Way Improvements

Plans to repair important stairways in IV were submitted in proposal form, board will review and discuss.

** Abramson suggested reviewing ALL proposals for entire quarter before board begins voting on funding so that we don’t simply run out of money and are unable to then fund worthy projects that we review later in the quarter. Bull said he will print out a summary list.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Meeting place

Groups are scheduled in the Chumash room were given for our meetings at 8 pm every Monday so Bull is looking into booking either the GSA lounge, the AS conference room, and the MCC meeting room. He will let the board know which room we end up getting.

R.E.E.F.

Bull spoke with Scott Simon regarding the board’s desire to see the REEF facilities opened up to the general public and community. He said that it is now open to the general public on Fridays and Saturdays. Bull also requested a status report from Simon, but he hasn’t produced one yet. The board would like to see the report before considering continuing to fund the project as it is up for refunding at $6,800 this quarter.

Blue Water Task Force (BWTF) Intern
Students are still very involved with the BWTF water testing and board is interested in creating a formalized internship position that could act as a spearhead for the project. We would like to see the position packaged under REEF. The intern would be responsible for posting all the water testing results on the website along with possibly organizing and participating in the sample collection.

**Coronado Butterfly Preserve**

Jason gave a quote of $1,500 for a good quality sign for the preserve, which cannot be covered by SPF's most recent grant. The grant was able to cover 12 smaller plant plaque signs along the main path of the reserve. Jason will be submitting another proposal for another year of funding to SPF this quarter, part of which will go toward the large sign. There is now also a new supervisor from the Land Trust who will be overseeing the project. Also a CBP advisory committee is looking into publishing data and information from the project in the near future.

**Stable Restoration**

Jenny Dugan would like the board to come to the West Campus Horse Stables to see the progress of the restoration site. The board will meet Thursday at 5pm

**Letter in Support of Marsha**

Scott will be writing a letter of support for Marsha, who has been the key leader in getting the bike path renovations pushed through, to UCSB’s Facilities Management.

**Beach Sweep Update**

- Adrienne received 34 applications in the first week of school alone
- A Bren group would like to do the Stream Walk and another group has already been assigned to the first restoration day at Coal Oil Point Reserve
- The board would like to have a new name for Beachsweep that is more inclusive of all the projects we are now funding student groups to participate in. Some suggestions included:

  Coastal Service Program
  Shoreline Volunteer Program
  Shoreline Service Program

The favorite was Coastal Service Program, but nothing official was decided
- 4 digital cameras will be purchased either from Costco or Ebay or wherever has the best deal. Board decided that if a camera is lost or broken, the group will not
be paid as a means of insurance for getting the cameras back and keeping them in good condition.

- The board also clarified the payment each club will receive for each specific activity:

  Stream Walk: 5 people @ $75
  Restoration: 5-10 people @ $75, >10 @ $150
  Beach cleanup: 5-10 people @ $50, >10 @ $100

**Geography of Surfing Class**

Board should think about possibly funding projects stemming from the class as we will most likely be seeing proposals from students in it this quarter.

**Earth Day Tabling**

Earth Day Celebration is in Anisqo Park Sat April 16th
Specific times for tabling at the SPF booth were assigned

**Jenny Dugan Proposal**

Dugan is developing a sea wall impact study that she will possibly be seeking funds for in the future. The board was interested in seeing a proposal.

**Snowy Plover Docent Program**

Jennifer Thorsch informed Bull the program lost funding from the Whale Tail Grant previously granted by the Coastal Commission, so wants an extension on their projects if possible.

*Some of the board members (Hooper, Kapur) will write an editorial letter to the editor regarding how the program has helped to keep Sands beach open

**Elwood-Devereux**

The EDC is worried about the development plan and the impact it will have on local water quality and would like to conduct research. It is also addressing other issues such as the potential for Plover delisting. SPF needs to be tactful with support of any advocacy issues such as this. The board would like to see an application but it must be clear that we would only be funding the research/education aspect of the project and would only like to see an application under $10,000.

**South Africa Research**
The board decided that this proposal does not meet enough of SPF’s research criteria and came to the agreement that research must meet at least 3 of the criteria in order to be eligible for funding.

**Transitioning**

James suggested the board start thinking about next year’s transition and losing veteran board members. SPF must retain its institutional memory and pass knowledge and experience on to future board members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00
Next meeting April 11, 6:00 PM
Meeting location TBA