## ASsquare_logo.tif Coastal Fund Agenda

## Associated Students

Tuesday, 2/5/19, Nati Conference Room

**CALL TO ORDER** 6:03 PM by Jordan Gallagher, minutes recorded by Rebecca and Emily

1. **ATTENDANCE**

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| **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time) | **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time) |
| **Jordan Gallagher**  **Chair** | **Present** | **Jem Unger Hicks**  **Outreach Coordinator** | **Present** |
| **Lauren Enright**  **Vice Chair** | **Present** | **An Nguyen**  **Outreach Coordinator** | **Present** |
| **Jeremy Francoeur**  **Undergraduate Rep** | **Present** | **Sarah Siedschlag**  **Advisor** | **Present** |
| **Angela Chu**  **Undergraduate Rep** | **Absent (excused)** | **Rebecca Nishide**  **Administrative Assist** | **Present** |
| **Kate Mcleod**  **Undergraduate Rep** | **Present** | **Emily Orr**  **Administrative Assist** | **Present** |
| **Alana Ayasse**  **Graduate Student Rep** | **Present** | **Alex Funk**  **Senate Liaison** |  |
| **Juliette Verstaen**  **Graduate Student Rep** | **Absent (excused)** | **Alli Adam**  **Senate Liaison** |  |

1. **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
2. **Approval of Attendance and Proxies**

*MOTION/SECOND: Jordan/Alana*

*Motion language: Motion to approve attendance and proxies*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **Approval of Minutes**

*MOTION/SECOND: Jordan/Alana*

*Motion language: Motion to approve last week’s minutes*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **PUBLIC FORUM**

* crazy weather

1. **REPORTS**
   1. **Advisor Report: Siedschlag**

* Week 5: recruitment for a new board member
* UCSB was 19% below 1990 emission levels last year
  1. **Chair Report: Gallagher**
* submitted our budget for next year, pretty much the same as this year but probably will have more money due to over-enrollment
* Sea stars on the come up
* 40+ lobster traps washing up, maybe we could finance a truck to get down there and pick them up?
  1. **Senate Report: Funk & Adam**
* NA
  1. **Administrative Report: Nishide**
* nothing to report
  1. **Coastal Service Program Report: Orr**
* everything got cancelled because of rain
  1. **Outreach and Education Report: Unger Hicks & Nguyen**
* officially severed ties with Andrew
* new way to approach mural, but going to give a recovery period
* Parks does have a space for our mural! Estero park on Del Sur
* Working on signage w AS Graphics and Rodney from IVPRD
* Site visit to COPR Thursday 11:15
  + maybe give out some CF Shirts?
  1. **Sub-Committee Reports**

1. **AGENDA**
2. **Approval of Agenda/Additions to Agenda**

*MOTION/SECOND: (name)/(name)*

*Motion language:*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **OLD BUSINESS**
2. **(item)**

*MOTION/SECOND: (name)/(name)*

*Motion language:*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
2. **Winter 18-01 Extension Request**

*MOTION/SECOND: (name)/(name)*

*Motion language: Motion to approve extension request for Winter 18-01*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **(item)**

*MOTION/SECOND: (name)/(name)*

*Motion language:*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **DISCUSSION**
   1. New Board Member Recruitment Committee

* 2 and a half - 3 and a half hours spread over a week or two
* Jordan, Kate, and Sarah

1. **PROJECT REVIEW**

Project Title: Winter 19-07 Reef Check California

Sponsoring Organization: Reef Check

Presenter Name: Jan Freiwald

Summary:

Preliminary Board Discussions:

* Pretty regular for them to come to us
* Seems good, good that it’s public access
* Lauren is abstaining from discussion due to work with PSCO
* Maybe another candidate for long term funding?
  + Don’t apply as consistently
* This is pretty much the same grant as FALL 17-18
* Grant written by director who is not locally based
* Regional manager

Presentation notes

* Dr. Selina McMiller - Regional Manager for Reefcheck California
* Reef Check started as a worldwide effort to figure out/track coral bleaching with citizen science
* Hugely successful, later they expanded to California in MPA’s 11 years ago
* Used protocols that have been developed by PSCO
* Casell, with PSCO, evaluated the success of Reef Check California in soon to be published manuscript, says it is hugely helpful especially in combination with PSCO
* Their protocol is simplified PSCO
* Really intense training
* Teach volunteers how to do scientific methods underwater
* Lot of UCSB current students and alum
* Reef Check is trained with AUS program
  + Can come to reef check and become officially certified after taking this class
  + Can go on DFDW boat, make connections
* Interns from CF were good, did data entry, social media, research, organizing photos, data gapping (?), organizing transects, collecting info, collecting data and going through it
* Both interns have shown interest in doing it again
* Lot of appreciation for how good data is and how important it is to keep this program going

Questions

* Is there anything different from this year to last year
  + Last year: the first time they had training in SB through MSI at the UCSB pool
  + This year: hope to up numbers of people trained and get students involved with climate change stuff.
  + Last year was figuring things out, this year is deploying
* You have volunteer divers swap out the hobos (?)
  + Yes, more interest with time
  + Interns continue to volunteer after internship is over
* Are you adding any sites or continuing monitoring?
  + Working with PSCO right now, put in huge grant with OPC, once they find out if they get money will divvy up sites and pick new ones
* Are there any publications that have come out with SB data?
  + Jen Cassell did report with PSCO and Reefcheck, they are publishing that right now
  + Some newspaper articles. Ect
  + Did podcast last year
  + Yes, up and coming, lots of stuff in the works
  + Just got a huge grant from OPC to update their database system, streamline data entry and make more shareable
* Your grant says you were monitoring channel islands?
  + Was OPC grant from 2016, will be changed going forward
  + PSCO and Reef Check were doing seperate ones
  + Got money from PSCO to monitor some sites
  + On paper, PSCO was responsible for channel islands and reef check for coast
  + Will be bettery clarified if they get OPC money `
* Will you monitor local reserves?
  + PSCO took those over for the past couple years
  + Previously Reef Check did
  + Salina is interested in doing these sites: fun dive, important site
* Are the interns doing anything different this year compared to last year?
  + Mid year, database crashed
  + Interns were not able to do a lot of data entry/quality control
  + Would be great to use same interns from last year, they are more interested and asking more questions now
  + Now interns will do a lot of database entry
  + Open to letting them write a paper, lead some surveys, etc.
  + Some volunteers have turned into contract instructors
* Would you consider having more than two interns, considering how much work you have to do?
  + Yes if we can pay them
  + It is hard to manage them and give them work
  + By changing the date they applied for grant, will allow students to be on for the full internship
* Why do trainings at the island?
  + Good training experience, do 12 regular survey sites on the islands
  + All the other boats go to the island, do a channel islands trip in August
  + Anacapa is consistent

Board Discussion:

*MOTION/SECOND: Jordan/Alana*

*Motion language: Motion to table discussion for winter 19-07*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

Project Title: Winter 19-05 Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation

Sponsoring Organization: Santa Barbara Wildlife Care Network

Presenter Name: Ariana Katovich

Summary:

Presentation Notes

* Brought giant poster of baby animals with cool poster bag
* Claire is a UCSB alumni, worked at SB wildlife care her senior year and stuck with it
* People post on free and for sale a lot about finding animals
  + Someone found a squirrel face down in a puddle
  + People who know about SB wildlife care network referred them
  + Girl posted on free and for sale about them saving squirrel
  + Claire found a bird freshman year and brought it in
* Part 1 of the project: make sure animals make it through baby season
  + Starts march 1st: 24 animals per day every single day
  + Need a lot of staff to help with the babies
  + Been volunteer based since 1998, about 50 hours per day. One 4 hour shift per week
  + Volunteers get really random assignments for shifts
  + Need stability during baby season
  + Seasonal staff is usually ecology or relevant majors who have had internships with SB wildlife before
    - Need relevant local training
    - Couple years of experience with specific information
* Part 2 of project: communication and outreach internships
  + People find injured animals and don’t know what to do
  + 160 of patients were from ucsb/IV out of about 3800? Not enough, they think it is artificially low, do not know about resource
  + Lack of information about their organization is not helping them save lives
  + Thinks it should be part of Gaucho FYI; lives that could be being saved that are not being saved
  + Wants to connect with ES, Honors program for volunteers, etc.

Questions

* If you had to pick a line item, what is the most important part?
  + Do not think she can pick
  + Know lives will be saved if we fund seasonal care staff
  + Outreach also saves lives but less concrete
  + As a former gaucho super excited about the internship/outreach
  + Baby season is planned emergency, cannot skimp on that expense
* Have you guys ever had to turn animals away because you don’t have enough staff?
  + Never done it
  + Have put animals on desks and not used desks, stayed until 10:30 pm
  + Take animals to other places
* Can you talk a little bit about how you ended up going from volunteering to staff?
  + Had not had development or communications/outreach when Claire joined
  + Her boss (ariana) was hired as development director, hired claire as an unpaid intern, had a great time, fell in love, hired after college.
  + Realize it is hard for students to do unpaid internships due to financial need
  + Have no unpaid internships currently, but in dire need of them
* Will you be overseeing them?
  + Claire directly, Ariana in parts
* How much of their time do you plan on spending with them?
  + Strongly believe in creative agency, students know IV
  + Want to be involved with community
  + Got magnet idea from squirrel girl
  + 4 hours of supervision, but 8-10 total hours is what their asking for
  + If they want more supervision she's open to it
* Are the seasonal care staff usually from UCSB?
  + Anywhere from volunteers that have been with them for a number of years
  + Recent UCSB undergraduates with bio degrees interested in the field
  + Don’t want to limit to just USCB students
* About how many of the animals that you take care of are harmed more by natural causes than directly from isla vista/santa barbara
  + A lot of animals are harmed from anthropogenic causes
    - Big deal
  + Cat attacks, window strikes, car accidents
  + Some abandoned by parents/fall from nest
  + About 1200 baby birds come into their care
* Where do the rest of the animals come from?
  + Serve all the way up to santa maria, down to ventura
  + Animals in winter are mostly sea birds
  + Global warming affecting a lot of sea birds
  + 230 pelicans because of domoic acid from algal bloom
* Who are your volunteers usually?
  + Good mix, mostly students (high school and college) and retired people
* Can you talk about the wild walks?
  + Feb 23rd at 10 am COPR, paired with Jessica Nielson
  + Going to have an animal care expert to show everyday people how they can prevent animals from getting hurt
  + Gonna talk about snowy egrets and how to help them out
  + One is going to be in Carp salt marsh
  + Would love to get UCSB students involved with both attending and organizing
* Is the animal care specialist a licensed veterinarian?
  + Currently no vet, have to outsource stuff like X-Rays
  + Lots of wildlife care specialist that have learned on the job
  + Biology background, volunteering with wildlife rehab is preferred
* Pelican release?
  + Like to make things public to attract attention/support
* Marine animals?
  + no
  + Another org does that they refer them to
* Do you get a lot of mammals?
  + Yes about 65% is birds but still a lot of mammals

Board Discussion:

*MOTION/SECOND: Jordan/Alana*

*Motion language:Motion to table discussion for Winter 19-05*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

**ADJOURNMENT AT 8:09 PM**

*MOTION/SECOND: Jordan/Jeremy*

*Motion language: Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:09 PM*

*ACTION: Consent*

*Additional approval required: NO*