

Coastal Fund  
Minutes of Board of Directors Proceedings  
February 22, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Coastal Fund Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 06:05 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

Coastal Service Program Coordinator

Emma Panish

Outreach Coordinators

Jennifer Verhines  
Carly Keen

Grants Manager

Scott Bull

II. ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES, TARDIES, ABSENCES.

Tardy: Jennifer Verhines

MOTION to accept proxies, late arrivals, and absences:

MS White

MSC French

Motion was approved at 7:0

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Emma Panish will be unavailable for all meetings taking place during the Spring 2010 academic quarter. In lieu of attendance she will send CSP

- updates via email prior to meetings.
- Gee is part of the LEAP mentoring program and his mentee will be observing the meeting.
  - AS meet and greet dinner Thursday March 4
  - Biographies for the site are posted. Looks great!

#### IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MOTION to accept minutes for 02/08/10:

MS White

MSC French

Motion was approved at 7:0

#### V. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MOTION to accept agenda for 02/22/10 with the addition of a FALL09-06, FALL09-18, FALL09-20, FALL09-26, and SPR09-21 project updates:

MS Jorgenson

MSC French

Motion was approved at 7:0

#### VI. BUDGET

##### a. Operating

Total Expenses: \$16,781.13

Total Account: \$3,518.87

##### b. Grants / Projects

Total Expenses: \$137,558.00

Total Account: \$96,250.43

#### VII. FUNDED PROJECT UPDATE

FALL09-01 Internships in Coastal Biodiversity Planning for the Santa Barbara County's Gaviota Rural Plan and Climate Action Strategy

- a. 5 interns developing draft white papers.
- b. The ultimate goal is to present white papers during public workshop to the GavPAC. One workshop will be held on UCSB's campus March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm, and another in the Faulkner Gallery, downtown Santa Barbara, on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

- c. Workshops would have been taking place sooner had the Marine Science Institute not had problems setting up an account.

FALL09-26 The Effects of Nutrient Limitations on Giant Kelp

- a. Progress has not been made because they have not been able to set up an account for the funds. They will likely ask for an extension and ask to modify the budget to put more towards interns.

FALL09-06 Devereux Native Tree Nursery Project

- a. Gee took part in a site visit to the nursery. Ken shared with Gee that he plans to expand the garden. The compost is going well and at the time Ken had 3 to 4 large bins to break down wood chips.
- b. Also, trees will be expanded in larger buckets.
- c. Interns are working out extremely well and Ken plans to ask the board to keep at least one or two for the next quarter, rather than replacing all of them.

SPR09-21 The Beach Ecosystem: Nutrient Sponge and Recycling Plant

- a. Project has been delayed and given an approval for an extended deadline. They will likely return for funding in Spring. No progress has been made yet.

FALL09-18 Restoration Intern Training Program

- a. The project is very fulfilling and the interns are working extremely well.

FALL09-20 Coal Oil Point Sandy Beach Food Web

- a. John McLaughlin is fulfilling all our expectations as a good mentor. He has many interns, more than half are non-paid. After the recent storms and beach loss, they had to regroup and plot new areas of beach. Quick assessments have taken place and the team is staying in tact. Despite delays and changed beach study areas, the project is staying on track with its original timeline.

SPR09-06 Internships and Trail Improvement at COPR

Still no reply has been made with Christina Sandoval.

## VIII. BUSINESS

1. West Campus Bluffs – Cindy

- a. Funds were frozen due to the state budget crisis but are now unfrozen. Cindy has spoken with Rachael Couch with Coastal Conservancy. They extended deadline. Cindy is moving forward to get the bid package rewritten by facilities. They have decided to purchase the less expensive base material that is permeable. The bid package will need to be approved by the Coastal Conservancy once it is complete. As this project will have a lasting effect on the West Campus Bluffs, restoration is required. Lisa Stratton has estimated this will require an additional \$32,000.00 (WIN20-11 - the restoration plan was reviewed and approved by the Coastal Conservancy). It is also possible that the bid package will come back and require additional funding to complete the overall project.

MOTION to fund WIN10-11 (CCBER Restoration) \$32,000.00

MS Gee

MSC French

Motion was approved at 7:0

## 2. Partnership for Excellence Recap

- a. French and White spoke with members of the Gaviota Coastal Conservancy. Also interviewed with other grant funders. The event gave funders a chance to rethink the relationship between funder and grantee now that the budget crisis has taken place. In the afternoon Gee attended a productive session regarding philanthropic giving between funder and grantee as well. Problems that were presented to the panel included issues with grant agreements and the importance of general operations funding for nonprofits. The session offered insight into the nonprofits' point of view and attendees were very enthusiastic with the overall quality of conference.

## 3. Honoraria and Co-Chair Honoraria: honoraria are due by Friday and need to be turned into the office to French by Wednesday. French will review and submit. As per our internal guidelines each missed meeting Board member must deduct \$50 from honoraria.

## 4. Representative Report

- a. Legislative Council: Bylaw updates have not been completed but will be done by the end of the week. The Haiti funding matching grant plans to produce enlarged checks as part of the excitement and achievements in raising so much money for a press conference. Lastly, it has been reported that Floatopia may happen and as there is a Facebook administrator encouraging the event. He may be considered as 'hosting' the event, in which case he will be held

accountable for all actions that take place. Lastly, AS is making an effort to create new space across SRB near the parking structure.

- b. EAB: Meatless Monday is still a going strong and EAB may be beginning a "LEAF Notes" magazine.
- c. Surfrider: Rincon Classic planned on tabling but was cancelled and is rescheduled for this weekend. Plastics had a meeting with CALPIRG and EAB on Sunday where the surveys were discussed. They found that neither businesses nor students were enthusiastic about the tax on plastic bags. IV Surfrider discovered during the survey process that all businesses but one, would like to partake in "day without a bag" week. Two or three groups are being sought out to help create the event. The cigarette butt campaign is continuing and many signatures are continuously being collected.

#### 5. Coastal Service Program Report

- a. ChannelKeeper has two sites identified for CF to adopt a stream for added student activity.

#### 6. Outreach and Education Report

- a. Photo Contest has ended. A total of 84 submissions and contest winners will be voted upon via email
- b. Press releases are continuing. Look to papers for articles in print!!
- c. Recyclemania Fashion Show taking place in IV park this weekend. Coastal fund to table
- d. EDC TGIF taking place in October 2010. This is their biggest event of the year. CF has co-sponsored and tabled at the event for several years. Last year's event was very successful.

MOTION to approve \$300 for the EDC TGIF.

MS                      French

MSC              Alomia

Motion was approved at 7:0

#### 7. Printer update: Coastal Fund to share cost with AS BIKES.

MOTION to approve Coastal Fund contributions towards the printer to \$300.

MS                      Alomia

MSC              McCarthy

Motion was approved at 6:1

8. Guidelines for Approved Projects: guidelines for UC Regents has been revised. Sub-committee report. P
9. Winter Social Feb 27, Naples: hike and picnic: Alomia and Petitfils will not be available to attend. Meet at IV Bagel shop at 9:00 am.
10. April 22 – Sailing!?

## X. APPLICATION REVIEW

### **WIN10-07 Reef Check California**

Reef Check California (RCAA) is a community-based monitoring organization dedicated to conserving California's rocky reef ecosystem. At UCSB, RCAA trains students in monitoring protocols for key rocky reef indicator species. Students participate in RCAA's bi-annual surveys along the Santa Barbara coast and Channel Islands. The students' data are being used by the MLA Initiative to inform the siting of marine protected areas in southern California, by the California Department of Fish and Game, and leading marine scientists (including UCSB researchers). Coastal Fund funds will be used to support staff, training, and surveys, thus providing UCSB with increased opportunities for immersion learning, field experience, and active engagement in marine management process in California.

MOTION to fund WIN10-07 for a total of \$5,975.00. \$1,500 is for the student coordinator, \$575 is for the instructor, \$2,000 boat rentals, \$900 for the student intern coordinator program assistant, and \$1,000 for the boat rentals Summer.

MS White  
MSC McCarthy  
Motion was approved at 7:0

### **WIN10-10 Sea Otter and Coastal Water Quality Protection and Education Program**

An imperiled species, the California sea otter population continues to struggle due to myriad factors, including poor water quality and a growing human population along our coasts. We propose to help protect the struggling sea otter population in California by promoting better water quality in nearshore waters and involving the public in recovery. We will accomplish this goal through targeted public education efforts in Santa Barbara County, including our annual "Sea Otter Awareness Week." This works directly benefits sea otters and, more generally, the other diverse marine wildlife that depend on the coastal ecosystem for food and habitat.

MOTION to fund WIN10-10 for a total of \$9,543.00. \$4,000 is for student PSA, \$1,500 is for general student outreach \$1,400 towards travel, \$1,750 towards a graduate student intern, and \$893 for an undergraduate intern.

MS White

MSC Alomia

Motion was approved at 7:0

#### X. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 09:27 PM

MOTION: Motion to adjourn

MS French

MSC Alomia

Motion was approved at 7:0