## Newport Bay Naturalists and Friends Minutes Board of Directors Meeting 30 November 2006

- 1.0 Opening. The meeting was called to order by President Fodor at 6:05 PM. Present were Regina Fodor, Dennis Baker, Jack Keating, Tom Moores, Carol Starcevic, Dick Watts. Also present Roger Mallett, Donna Carroll and guest Jackie McDougall.
- .1 Minutes. MSP to approve the minutes of the  $10/18/\ 06$  meeting as distributed.

Action: Minutes to be filed.

- 2.0 Presentation. Jackie McDougall, Chief Development Officer, Catalina Island Conservancy made a presentation on fund raising operations.
- 3.0 Executive Director's Report. The report was accepted as distributed.

Action: Report to be filed

4.0 Accountant's Report. The accountant's report was received and filed for audit.

Action: To be filed for audit.

5.0 Financial Committee Report. Tom indicated they were still working on a fund raising agreement with the County/Interpretive Center to be available for internal review by the end of week. After comments, a final draft will be provided to Dave Kiff so can use it as a template for the BBSC fund raising agreement Attorney Dave Gerlt has been a great help. Clarifying loose ends of the Capital Campaign regarding donations for the IC>

Action: Committee will continue to work on gift agreement.

6.0 Fundraising Committee Report. Regina reported on Vista Point project and indicated that Ralph Clock was a great volunteer and helping immensely. Project to go before the Coastal Commission in January.

Discussed Boat tours for next year. As a form of appreciation to our major donors, Tom is going to work on providing the boat and working with Regina and Roger to identify donors. Based on donor relations, other board members may become involved.

Action. Tom will work toward the event.

7.0 Advocacy Report. Dennis reported on the status of the proposed horse arena and shared the conceptual plans with the Board. He would like to see a written commitment from the City of NB to save and restore the upland area. The plan will go to the Coastal Commission in May/June. Although outsiders will be permitted to us the proposed arena, it is primarily intended for the community.

Action: None. Discussion only

- 8.0 Board Development Report.
- .1 County HBP Issues. Discussed issues with repair/upgrade about exhibits at the IC. HBP staff turnover has led to need to clarify bid process and contractors.

Action: Jack will continue to explore.

, 2 Back Bay Science Center. Regina reported summertime exploration regarding resolving areas of conflict about interior design of the BBSC and indicated progress has been made. The City has appointed an architect to help with the design. Discussed observations with Rita & Ray and City Council interest.

Action: None. Discussion only.

.3 Restoration Team Report. Jack reported four projects were going and the need for a mini-CRMP. The County is willing to start on the main CRMP as soon as the City OKs it. The Team recommends Board approval to develop a mini-CRMP as it is needed to start work. MSP to approve Restoration Team recommendations and start trails restoration.

Action: Jack will report back to the team.

.4 Daily Pilot communication initiative. Carol requested ideas and information for the column in the Daily Pilot.

Action: Provide Carol with ideas and information.

- 9.0 New Business.
- .1 Board Retreat. To be held Saturday, January 13, 2007 at the Duck Club. Discussed who should attend in addition to the Board.

Action: Identify precipitants in addition to the Board.

.2 Public/Private Partnerships. Discussed the concept. MSP To agree with the concept of Public/Private Partnerships.

Action: Explore specifics. Concept only approved.

10.0 Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM

Lori Kiesser, scheduled to speak to the Board, was unable to attend.

Respectfully submitted, Date Board Approved: 1/18/07

Acting Secretary

Dick Watts