

Newport Bay Naturalists and Friends
Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
14 February 2007

1.0 Opening. President Baker called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM at the Newport Beach Public Library. Present were Regina Fodor, Dennis Baker, Jack Keating, Tom Mooers, Carolyn Kraber, and Dick Watts. Also present Donna Carroll.

.1 The Board Development Committee (Chair Regina Fodor, Bob Nicols, and Jack Keating) was pleased to announce the appointment of Carolyn Kraber to the Board of Directors. Dennis welcomed the new member.

2.0 Approval of Minutes. Minutes were tabled (Mooers) for approved at the next meeting after amendments.

3.0 Executive Director's Report. The report was e-mailed to all members. Jack moved, seconded by Dick to take action on the three recommended items from the Report:

1. Seek statement from the City of Newport Beach as to the status of The Irvine Company's pledge of \$1.6 million to the City, and the terms of which it will be given. (Jack)
2. Establish ad hoc committee to develop Strategic Partner Policy and recruit members (Dick/Jack)
3. Establish as hoc committee to develop Strategic Decision Policy and recruit members. (Dennis/Jack)

Passed

Action: Implement

4.0 Accountant's Report. The Accountant's Report as e-mailed and there were no questions. The CDs for a higher interest rate have been implemented.

.1 Discussed and agreed (Mooers) to keep brokerage account in case some want wants to donate stocks.

Action. None. Information only

5.0 Big Canyon. Discussed the two most contentious issues: the amphitheater and interpretative materials, and closure of Back Bay Drive. These issues belong with the Restoration Team and have been discussed by the Team.

Moved by Tom, seconded by Jack: Because of membership concerns, the B/D requests the Restoration Team to set up a small task force to develop appropriate functions between habitat protection and interpretation and report back to the Board reports and recommendations. Passed.

Action: Jack will submit the request to the Restoration Team.

6.0 Bay Issues Committee. Dennis presented a letter, addressed to the CNB Bay Issues Committee requesting the CNB to support securing a binding commitment with the parties to the BBSC Cooperative Agreement defining the primary focus of the BBSC education program. Motion by Dennis, seconded by Jack to send the letter as amended to the Bay Issues Committee. Passed

7.0 Proposed Horse Arena. Tabled

8.0 New Business/Future Agenda Items. Future agenda items were discussed.

9.0 Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:45PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dick Watts, Secretary

Date Board Approved: 3/15/07