

**Newport Bay Conservancy**

April 17 2019 Board Meeting

**Board Attendees:** Derrick Ankerstar, Pam Winkler, Dave Waller, Randall English, Angie Vazirian, Ian Swift, Joana Tavares, Tim Brown, Sherry Marger, Kimberly Bick, Taylor Sais

**Visitors:** Heather Cieslak, Peter Bryant,

**Excused Absence:** Josie Bennett, Julie Ferguson

5:32 – Call to Order - Quorate

5:33: Approval of prior meeting minutes: Randall English

Dave moved to approve as presented, Ian seconded, Approved unanimous.

5:40: Operations Report: Heather Cieslak

OC Parks One OC Spirit of Volunteerism awards NBC nominees Cassandra Radcliff and Vanessa Ayala

In response to a letter provided by Liz Grant Randall made a motion to grant lifetime membership to the Corks in appreciation of their years of dedicated service. Joana seconded, Carried unanimous.

5:55: Restoration Committee:

100 applicants for two restoration intern positions. Winnowed down to 35. Follow up interviews taking place May 10<sup>th</sup>. ASL removal continues. Warren Foundation had ASL site visit by Delhi channel on Monday April 15.

Big Canyon working on completion of 90% design.

Peter Bowler (reserve manager University Irvine) interested in getting a letter of recommendation from NBC or partnering with NBC.

6:05: Fundraising Committee: Dave Waller

Upper Newport bay t-shirts and logo embroidered adorned polo shirts will be available for sale on earth day

Prizes for Earth Day opportunity drawing set.

Committee reviewing membership levels and associated premiums.

6:20: Treasurer's Report: Pam Winkler

Presented statement of activity and First quarter actual versus budgeted.

Solicited ideas for reports/metrics, Randall suggested report tracking actual expenses versus averages to spot trending

6:30: Board Development Committee: Tim Brown

Again, asked for suggestion for public (non-board) member of Board Development Committee

Prefer that recommendations are NBC volunteers or members.

6:35: Education Committee: Tim Brown

Wallpaper for relief map still in process, forecast delivery April 24.

Multiple initiatives for Muth in partnership with OC Parks being explored.

- Osprey nesting Platform
- Web cam for osprey platform
- Restore replace bird boxes
- Whale fossil display (Nathan Taxal working on getting Miocene era whale fossil)

6:45: Research Committee: Joana Tavares

Reviewed multiple initiatives suggested in committee meeting.

Opportunities for citizen scientists to help out with research.

Develop an ask scientist feature for web site and/or Tracks.

Document past research efforts in the Bay.

Joana lead a discussion on ways to educate on solutions to climate change. Focus not on cause but solutions/adaptions to climate change. Some thought on making focus of 2020 World Wetlands Day Symposium.

7:10 Adjournment

Ian moved, Tim seconded, carried unanimous.

7:15 Start of closed session regarding Director's compensation.

Adjustment of compensation approved unanimously.

7:25 Tim moved, Ian seconded, carried unanimous