

NEWPORT BAY CONSERVANCY  
AGENDA, BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Wednesday April 15 2020, 5:30-7:00 PM, Online Conference Call

Board attendees: Julie Ferguson, Sherry Marger, Randall English, Kim Bick, Pam Winkler, David Waller, Angie Vazarian, Derrick Ankerstar, Taylor Sais, Joana Tavares  
Staff and volunteer attendees: Heather Cieslak, Susan Jarratt  
Excused absences: Tim Brown, Ian Swift

5:30 Call to order/roll call.

5:35: Approval of minutes from February: Josie Bennett

- Motion to approve by Joana, Pam seconded

5:40: Operations Report: Heather Cieslak

- Report on staff working remotely during the COVID-19 Pandemic
- Carissa is going back to an hourly position to accommodate homeschooling her kids.
- The executive committee will discuss how the organization can support staff during this time.
- How can we prepare for offering modified events to the public once social distancing is loosened

5:55: Treasurer's Report: Pam Winkler

6:05: Restoration Committee: Josie Bennett

- Alys is finalizing the permits and moving forward with getting bids for the Big Canyon project
- LBVI surveys began in Big Canyon project
- Seed ordered for the Big Canyon project
- In the process of finalizing the work plans for OPC and USFWS grants
- *Volutaria* surveys continue and everything is under control

6:15: Board Development Committee: Tim Brown

- No update

6:20: Education Committee: Tim Brown

- No update

6:30: Research Committee:

- Discussion about development of a subcommittee to review the website and make recommendations about ways to improve the content and flow
- Continuing the Ask a Naturalist articles

6:35: Fundraising Committee: Dave Waller

- Moving forward with plans for Gourmet by the Bay in August with a back-up plan in case we will not be allowed to congregate
- Working on designing a banner and signs to advertise the new book to the public who are visiting the Bay
- Target Circle participation resulted in a \$2600 donation

7:00: Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn from Dave, seconded by Pam

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