

NEWPORT BAY CONSERVANCY
MINUTES, BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday June 17 2020, 5:30-7:00 PM, Online Conference Call

Board attendees: Julie Ferguson, Sherry Marger, Randall English, Pam Winkler, David Waller, Angie Vazarian, Derrick Ankerstar, Taylor Sais, Joana Tavares, Tim Brown, Ian Swift, Kim Bick and Josie Bennett

Staff and volunteer attendees: Heather Cieslak, Susan Jarratt

Excused absences:

5:30 Call to order/roll call.

5:31: Approval of minutes: Josie Bennett

- o Motion to accept the April and May minutes by Julie; seconded by Pam.

5:36: Treasurer's Report: Pam Winkler

- o May financial report was presented with no discussion.
- o A revised budget was presented by Pam and Heather highlighting program adjustments based on COVID restrictions.
- o Motion to approve the revised budget by Dave; seconded by Julie.
- o Motion to approve that we reinstate any employee salary and PTO that was impacted during the pre-PPP time period (3/18-5/4) by Kim; seconded by Pam.
- o PPP funds will be exhausted by mid-July so we will need to decide what happens to employee salaries moving forward for the rest of the fiscal year.
- o A recommendation was made by Kim and Pam to calendar a special meeting in 2-3 weeks to further discuss the budget and our options for employees during the post-PPP period.

5:55: Operations Report: Heather Cieslak

- o Jack Keating, former NBC president, recently passed away.
- o Carissa is working on putting together "Discovery Kits" for kids to connect with nature from home during this time when field trips are not allowed.
- o Over 400 books have been sold and the distributor has run out of stock.

6:05: Restoration Committee: Josie Bennett

- o Work continues on the Big Canyon projects and are on-track.

6:15: Board Development Committee: Tim Brown

- o No board members will be terming out this year.
- o Committee will make a recommendation in September for board officers.
- o The establishment of an advisory committee was proposed. Randall, Dave and Angie volunteered to work with Tim to move this initiative forward.

6:20: Education Committee: Tim Brown

- o The osprey pair that use the perch did not produce any nestlings. Activity on the perch is being monitored to schedule the renovation.
- o The committee is exploring ways to connect with the public while the Muth center is closed and volunteer events are on hold.

6:30: Research Committee: Susan Jarrett

- o NBC staff are working hard to get the website updated.

6:40: Fundraising Committee: Dave Waller

- o The committee has decided to cancel the Gourmet by the Bay event planned for August 2020 and plan a virtual silent auction.

6:50: Other Business

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

7:00: Adjourn

- o Motion to adjourn by Kim ; seconded by Sherry.