

NEWPORT BAY CONSERVANCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES

Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 5:35 PM, **ZOOM**

Attending:

President – Cassandra Radcliff

Board Members - Cesar Gallo, Susie Onate, Peter Bryant, Saam Shams, Mario Cuevas, Stacey Tutt, Bryan Tsu, Bettina Eastman

Staff and guests - Heather Cieslak, Operations Manager

Absent: Ramraghi Fuller, Susan Jarratt, Rubi Ontiveros

5:35 Call to order/roll call: Cassandra

Approval of Minutes:

October and November 2023 Minutes will be provided at the March meeting.

1. Operations Report: Heather

The Operations Report was provided ([see attached](#)).

2. Treasurer's Report: Ramraghi

The January – December 2023 Profit and Loss Statement was provided. The 2024 Draft Operations Budget was also provided ([see attached](#)). The Board will vote on the 2024 Draft Operations Budget via email.

3. Restoration Committee: Saam

The Restoration Report was provided ([see attached](#)).

Motion to approve the Maintenance Services Agreement with Pacific West Environmental to perform the remainder of the contract that our subcontractor could not perform through June 2025, not to exceed \$250,000, to be funded by the State Conservancy Grant through the City of Newport Beach. Cesar motioned to approve, Mario seconded; approved by majority in attendance, subject to review of the Agreement by Stacy.

Motion to approve resolution to receive funds from the State Coastal Conservancy. Mario motioned to approve, Stacey seconded; unanimously approved by all in attendance.

Motion to approve the MOU with Southern California Plein Air Painters Association (SOCALPAPA) for the 2024 Back Bay Art Festival. Cesar motioned to approve, Bettina seconded; unanimously approved by all in attendance.

4. Fundraising Committee: Heather

The Fundraising Report is included in the Operations Report.

5. Education Committee: Bettina

No report was provided

6. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee: Susan

The DEI Committee Report was provided ([see attached](#)).

7. Community Outreach, Website, Tracks: Cesar

No report was provided

8. Research Committee: Peter

No report was provided

9. Board Development Committee: Taylor

No report was provided

7:04: Adjournment: Cesar moved; Mario seconded; passed

Respectfully submitted,

Susie Onate
Secretary