

Friends of the Dunes Board Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2009, Samoa Women's Club, 7-9pm

Board Members: Mike Wilson, John St. Marie, Marj Fay, Nancy Ihara, Mike Seeber, Bill Weaver, Matt Johnson, Tamara Gedik

Public: Jake Johnson, Garrett McSorley, Lisa Hoover

Staff: Emily Walter, Carol Vander Meer, Laura Kadlecik

August Agenda

- I. Introduction of guests present
- II. Approval of November minutes
- III. Public input
- IV. Trails Planning Update
- V. Approve signing with California Northern Region Land Trust Council making FOD a member
- VI. HCNC Building Plans
- VII. Planning for 2010
- VIII. Comment/questions on committee reports
- IX. Upcoming events
- X. Upcoming agenda items

I. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Jake Johnson (architect) and Garrett McSorley (LEED specialist)

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John motioned for approval of the November, 2009 minutes as corrected, 2nd from Matt Johnson, all in favor. Motion passed.

III. PUBLIC INPUT

Carol reports that the Manila Community Services District (MCSD) board submitted a letter to FOD requesting support of designating a historic "coast guard" trail along the foredunes. Carol checked in with historian, Don Tuttle, who looked into this and could not find evidence of a trail. At this time Carol doesn't think this topic needs further discussion.

IV. TRAILS PLANNING UPDATE

Highlights of the public comments

The public comment period ended on December 6th and the comments are available to board members in Wiggio. It was decided that more time is needed to evaluate the comments and the plan before presenting a final plan. Staff and Land Trust committee members have been looking into what actions FOD is able to take within this plan in a legal manner.

Mike Wilson would like to know what administrator is in charge of final approval of the plan? **ACTION: Carol will look into this.**

Mike Wilson would like to make note that FOD is increasing public access at HCNC and thus a trails plan is necessary in order to protect resources.

There will be an internal review of the next draft starting with the Land Trust and Restoration Committee before presenting it to the board.

V. APPROVE SIGNING WITH CALIFORNIA NORTHERN REGIONAL LAND TRUST COUNCIL (CNRLTC) MAKING FOD A MEMBER OF CNRLTC

Lisa submitted the MOU for review in Wiggi. She feels signing the MOU would be beneficial to FOD in several ways including staff and volunteers taking part in annual meetings and trainings. Dues are \$50 a year.

Mike Wilson moved to approve signing the CNRLTC MOU making, FOD a member of CNRLTC with re-evaluation if Lisa Hoover were to leave the CNRLTC Steering Committee, which FOD would be required to participate on. 2nd from Mike Seeber, all in favor, motion passed.

VI. HCNC BUILDING PLANS

Building engineer plan was submitted to County for approved permitting in early December. Jake mentioned that one big change to the plans was the addition of tie rods every 6 feet inside the building.

Garrett presented a slide show reviewing the project plans and explaining the LEED certification. This project should qualify for platinum LEED certification.

There is enough natural ventilation not to need artificial ventilation. There are still options/alternatives to change certain aspects of the project. (i.e. buying a different hot water boiler that costs more but uses less propane.) The board would like to see operating costs as proposed versus alternatives.

Laura passed out and reviewed a schedule of milestones starting now and into February when construction is proposed to begin.

VII. PLANNING FOR 2010

Overview of major programs

Carol reviewed the major programs planned for 2010 and where funding is coming from.

Consider Draft 2010 Budget for approval

Mike Wilson motioned to approve the 2010 budget, 2nd from Nancy, all in favor. Motion passed.

Marj Fay motioned to make a separate bank account for the construction project, 2nd from Mike Wilson. Nancy Ihara amended the motion to add Carol Vander Meer, Bill Weaver, and John St. Marie as signatories on the new account. Marj approved the amendment. All in favor, motion passed.

VIII. COMMENT/QUESTIONS ON COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

XI. UPCOMING EVENTS

Friends of the Dunes Move, Saturday, December 19, 1-5pm vacate Stamps House

XII. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- Check bylaws

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