

Friends of the Dunes Board Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2013, 6-8 pm, Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane, Manila

Board Members: David Hitchcock, John St. Marie, Mike Dronkers, Melissa Zilinski, Bill Weaver, Trevor Estlow, Tamara Gedik, Susan Penn

Public: None

Staff: Emily Walter, Carol Vander Meer

I. Introduction of guests present

None

II. Public input

None

III. Approval of September board minutes

John St. Marie motioned to approve the December board minutes, 2nd from Mike Dronkers, all present in favor. Motion passed.

IV. Review dashboard

Emily reviewed memberships, income, and grants from the dashboard. Emily updated the grant section to make it easier to read the most recent grant activity.

V. Directors Insurance

Bill reviewed a price estimate for D&O Insurance for the board, including what it covers. The current cost estimate is \$1600, but this is likely to go down this year.

Tamara Gedik moved to adopt the D&O Insurance for Friends of the Dunes, 2nd from David Hitchcock, all present in favor. Motion passed.

VI. 2013 Draft Budget

The board reviewed the draft 2013 budget. There are still areas that need to be filled in, corrected and balanced.

VII. HCNC Facilities Update

Since the last board meeting Carol has spoken with Danco who has offered to give Friends of the Dunes a nice donation via repairing the cupola. Carol has been meeting with Danco staff and Garrett to discuss options of repairing the cupola. The board agreed to let Carol figure out the best way of fixing the cupola without going over \$4800, (the amount approved at the last board meeting).

IX. Refining Key Strategic Objectives

Carol reviewed an updated version of some of the key strategic objectives that came from the November board retreat. This included reviewing purpose, chairs, and members of Friends of the Dunes committees and special fundraising task groups.

X. Staff/Committee Reports

Executive Director 1st Quarter Objectives

Complete: 2012 annual report, strategic planning, cupola repairs, development and marketing plan, updated map & guide, donor reception party, install new capstones

X. Upcoming Events

Underwater Parks Day – January 19th at the Nature Center (free)

XI. Upcoming Agenda Items

- Vote on 2013 budget
- Review HCNC rental policy
- Board recruitment

Adjourn 8:05 p.m.