

**Friends of the Dunes Board Meeting Agenda**  
**Humboldt Coastal Nature Center**  
**December 1, 2015, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.**

**Board:** Matt Johnson, Mike Dronkers, John St. Marie, Jessica Hall, Kim McFarland, Scott Demers, Mike Wilson, Karen Lu

**Staff:** Emily Walter, Peter Bidigare, Carol Vander Meer

- I. PUBLIC INPUT-** *At the beginning of each meeting, the public is welcome to make comments pertinent to Friends of the Dunes mission, programs and activities.*

No public in attendance.

**II. MEET THE NEW ED (PETER BIDIGARE)**

**III. APPROVE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER/NOVEMBER MINUTES**

*John St. Marie motioned to approve the September and October minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> from Matt Johnson, all in favor. Motion passed.*

*Matt Johnson moved to approve amended November minutes (to strike detail from dashboard and land trust committee update), 2<sup>nd</sup> from Scott Demers, seven in favor, Jessica Hall voted no. Motion passed.*

Additional discussion on difference between notes (more detail) and minutes (less detail).

**IV. DUNES CLIMATE READY GRANT UPDATE**

Carol reported on the project including new website, upcoming public outreach activities, and some past activities.

ACTION ITEM: Carol will email key communication points to the board

**V. REVIEW OF DASHBOARD**

Emily reviewed the dashboard with the board. A lot of grants have been submitted in the last two months with more to submit before the end of the year.

**VI. LAND TRUST COMMITTEE UPDATE**

No update at this time.

**VII. FUNDRAISING UPDATE**

End of Year Letter/Solicitation – End of the year solicitations went out at the end of November. Board members are being asked to call donors and invite them to the holiday party.

Jan. 9th Business Partner Thank You Brunch – We are throwing a thank you brunch for all of our business partners at the Nature Center. We want as many board members to attend as possible, and also ask board members to contribute finger food brunch items.

ACTION ITEM: Kim and John said they can help lead walks at the brunch

Change for Change Program – This program was a great success with Eureka Natural Foods.

### **VIII. 35 YEARS CELEBRATION IN 2016 - BRAINSTORM**

FOD turns 35 in 2016. The board discussed ways of celebrating this.

ACTION ITEM: Mike D. offered to help with outreach/strategy/logo/etc.

### **IX. UPCOMING EVENTS**

- *Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, Holiday Party*
- *Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, Business Partner Thank You Brunch*

### **X. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

- Kim suggested we put scheduling a strategic planning (BOARD RETREAT)
- 2016 BUDGET DRAFT
- Fundraising - KHSU/FOD Spring Drive
- Board Recruitment
- ED Report

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