

Friends of the Dunes Board Meeting Agenda
Humboldt Coastal Nature Center
Tuesday, February 2 2016, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Board: Mike Wilson, Kim McFarland, Tom Torma, Mike Dronkers, John St. Marie,
Karen Lu, Matt Johnson

Staff: Pete Bidigare, Emily Walter

Public: None

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.*

II. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Pete updated the board on what he's been working on including fundraising planning and getting the Business Partner Program up and running for 2016. January was Beth's last month as a staff member. Pete and Beth went to HAF to review grant information available there. He's setting some community education goals and preparing to expand, possibly through the CA Naturalist Program in 2017. Pete is also looking into working with the local Latino Outdoors group. A board retreat has been scheduled for November 12.

Pete handed out board member contracts to review and complete.

ACTION: All board members should review and complete a board contract, if they haven't already done so this year, and submit by/at the March board meeting.

III. APPROVE DEC/JAN MINUTES

John St. Marie motioned to approve the January minutes, 2nd from Karen Lu, all in favor. Motion passed.

IV. ELECT OFFICERS

Mike Wilson notified the board that he's stepping away from the role of board President. He had agreed to serve as President while FOD was looking for a new Executive Director, which they now have.

Kim McFarland motioned John St. Marie to be board President, 2nd from Tom Torma, all in favor. Motion passed.

V. BOARD RECRUITMENT

Pete is looking into updating the board recruitment packet. The board brainstormed what we are looking for in new board members.

VI. REVIEW OF DASHBOARD

Emily reviewed the dashboard. FOD awarded a \$5,000 Jiji Foundation grant for general support.

VII. REVIEW OF 4th QUARTER FINANCIALS/2016 BUDGET

Karen reviewed the 4th quarter financials. The board will vote on the 2016 budget in March.

VIII. COAST CENTRAL CREDIT UNION

John St. Marie moves to add Pete Bidigare and Kim McFarland as a check signers at Coast Central Credit Union and remove Carol Vander Meer and Bill Weaver, 2nd by Matt Wilson, all present approved. Motion passed. Kim McFarland motions that Pete Bidigare get CCCU Visa card, 2nd from John St. Marie, all present in favor. Motion passed.

IX. FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Pete updated the board about the Get Outside Gear Sale. We'll be doing a Change 4 Change at Eureka Natural Foods the first week of April.

X. UPCOMING EVENTS

- I Love Dunes Restoration, Feb. 13
- I Love Wetlands Family Event, Feb. 14
- Annual Lupine Bash, Feb. 20

XI. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- Review strategic plan
- Vote on 2016 Budget
- Approve November and December minutes

ADJOURNED 7:50