

CNPS SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AGENDA January 2, 2018

Audubon Offices, 4010 Morena Blvd. Suite 100 San Diego, CA

Call to Order: 6:30 p.m. (Quorum = Six Board Members)

Known absences: Frank Landis, Kye Ok [Happy Birthday, Frank!]

Guests: Mike Gonzales, Joseph Sochor

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| I. Welcome visitors and announcements | [6:30 – 6:35] |
| II. Additions or Changes to the Agenda (Justin) | [6:35 - 6:40] |
| A. Vote to approve. | |
| III. Review of Minutes (Frank, Maggie, Justin, Bob) | [6:40 – 6:50] |
| A. Vote to approve. | |
| IV. Guest Business – UCSD Extension Class (Mike Gonzales) | [6:50 – 7:05] |
| V. New Board Members, Executive Positions, & Committees (Justin) | [7:05 – 7:20] |
| A. Recognition of new board members at Chapter meeting | |
| B. Outlook, issues, and ideas for 2019 | |
| VI. Treasurer’s Report (Connie) | [7:20 – 7:30] |
| VII. Winter Workshop Progress Report and Contracts (Torrey, Joe, and Bobbie) | [7:30 – 7:35] |
| VIII. Committee Reports | [7:35 – 8:20] |
| A. Personnel Committee (Bobbie) | |
| B. Chapter Sponsorships (Al, Justin, and Josue)—2019 sponsorships | |
| C. Conservation Committee (Frank, Justin) | |
| D. Programs (Torrey) | |
| E. Hospitality (Kye Ok, Frank) | |
| F. Field Trips (Justin) | |
| G. Garden Committee – (Al) | |
| H. Website/Social Media Report – Joseph Sochor | |
| I. Habitat Restoration (Bob) | |
| J. Newsletter (Bobbie) | |
| K. Book Table (Cindy) | |
| L. Propagation Committee (Torrey) | |
| M. Rare Plant Surveys (Josue) | |
| IX. New Business | [8:20-8:45] |
| A. Minigrant application for Famosa Slough (Leon) | |
| B. Education possibilities (Connie) | |

- C. *Dittrichia graveolens* in Rose Canyon – major source found. (Attachment II)
- D. Petitioner's Policy Draft (Justin)
- E. 2019 Native Plant Week Ideas

X. Old Business

[8:45-8:55]

- A. Events Committee of the Board– provide Board leadership for special events. (Al)
- B. Chapter Vehicle for Delivery, Restoration, Advertising, Etc. Update (Bob)
- C. 2019 Field Botany Class SDSU Scholarships (Justin)
- D. Love Your Wetlands Day Feb 2—Outreach possibility w/ Audobon Society (Frank)

XI. Wrap up and conclusions

[8:55-9:00]

Next Meeting Date: February 6, 2018

- A. Important agenda items?
- B. Tasks to accomplish prior?

ATTACHMENT 1 Conservation Committee Notes

The Sierra Club et al. vs. County of San Diego ruling has been widely reported on. It is less clear whether the County will appeal this ruling or not. This is the third time they have lost on this issue (not counting lost appeals) and I just found out that they have hired an outside lawyer to deal with it. This may change their strategy. The County Supervisors reportedly will decide whether to appeal in January. If they do appeal they will likely lose, and that will further delay them rewriting the CAP for a fourth time. It will likely take two years to get the CAP written, do the EIR, and have it approved by the supervisors, so developments that depend on it may sit idle until 2021 or later (2019 plus two years). For us, the immediate consequences are that the Newland Sierra litigation goes forward, but none of the other General Plan Amendments will be considered by the Supervisors in 2019, especially in a batch. *JD - Newland Sierra Settlement Meeting is January 10th.*

The other CEQA case on the calendar is the Programmatic EIR for the Fiesta Island management plan. Comments are due by January 21. The CNPS issue is that there is dune scrub and some sensitive (list 1B) species out there. It does not appear that the City has all the sensitive plant locations on their map, but we need to verify what they do know, make sure they have up-to-date information, and advocate for mapping changes that leave the natives undisturbed except for weeding.

Other news: The "Fire Recovery and Preparation Guide for San Diego County" got an enthusiastic yes from Dan Gluesenkamp, although he'd rather we wrote a guide for all of southern California. I've got the current guide copied into my writing software and I've written some new material already. Aside from reformatting the book for our region, I wanted to substantially enlarge the 2-page preparation section of the existing document, because I started working out how I would follow the advice and realized that it has some major issues.

The next steps are to work with Liv O'Keefe to get some idea of the production budget, find a funding resource (I'll work with Justin on this as necessary), and gear up for creating the book once funding is secured. I'm thoroughly enjoying working on this.

ATTACHMENT 2

In regards to discovery of a huge seed source for invasive *Dittrichia graveolens* in the watershed above Rose Canyon, East of the 805 on a huge City Property, Bob and Justin have begun an effort to see if we might be able to gain access to the land for invasive control. The Property is an odd mixture of uses from the nursery to Miramar Natl Cemetery to the new water treatment facility. 712.43 acres of City of San Diego Open Space property, with leases for the military and other federal jurisdictions

Per City of San Diego PU Response:

The parcel to the north of the tracks is the location of our future grassland mitigation site so we would not want anyone accessing that site for any reason. For the other parcel sliver, there would need to be some formal request to access the site through our real estate agent, Brent Peterson (copied). And as far as removing non-natives on a regular basis from our property...that as well would need to be vetted through Brent Peterson and he can consult with us and whoever else is appropriate to determine if this is feasible. From our standpoint, we don't typically want to give up any enhancement potential on PUD property, and would take responsibility for non-native removal, if necessary. In addition, as I've mentioned before, the access protocol between PUD and the Federal cemetery took some time and we do not want to ruin any progress PUD has made in that arena by granting permission for others to enter our sites that are directly adjacent the Federal land."

Thank you,
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ATTACHMENT 3

Petitioner's Policy Draft v.01 – 2018 (Justin)
Per emailed attachment.