

Sierra Club Santa Cruz Group Executive Committee

Minutes March 12, 2014

Called to Order 6:38

Attending: Mike Guth, Tawn Kennedy, Greg McPheeters, Mary Odegaard, Ron Pomerantz, Jukka Naukkarinen, Erica Stanojevic

Welcome – member comments

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes as modified

Mary seconds

Unanimous

Online Votes

Motion to support Fukushima Coalition event did not pass.

Treasurer's Report (Mary)

Small amount of money available for educational purposes in 501 - 3C category

Future reports will be quarterly

Internal Communications

- Committee reports or other documentation can be made public
- Attorney communications should not be made public
- Excom communications on excom email list in general should not be shared to promote ability for excom members to communicate frankly
 - Separate emails can be written to communicate with outside groups

Mike motions to not forward or copy internal excom emails or attachments

Tawn seconds

Unanimous

Committees and Committee Chairs:

Greg nominates Ron to chair Political committee

Unanimous

Elections committee chair position open

Greg will work on getting paypal set up on site with Convio

Mike motions to send an appeal for funds to membership

Mary seconds

Unanimous

Conservation Committee (Mike)

- Update on Issues from Committee (Mike)

Paul Elerick requested Club sponsorship of political meeting on May 4 at police station

“Information sharing about third district issues”

Endorsing groups can forward questions

Time for questions

But there are two candidates - why not include the second?

Will research further

Borregas Gultch trail will be opening! Potential date for opening March 25th. Located behind Cabrillo. As many members as possible should attend to promote the trail.

Meetings will be last Wednesday of the month

Regional Transportation Commission Long Range Plan (Tawn)

Will also ask from input from chapter because includes Monterey county

Caltrans must also be included if it is a true regional plan

2025; billions of dollars at stake

Deadline for public comment April 8

City Water Committee Update (Ron, Erica)

Sustainable Santa Cruz proposal

ALE (Aptos Local Economies)

Safeway project - expansion may not occur

Earth Day Festival (Jukka) April 19th 11am - 4pm San Lorenzo Park

Will have booth inside tent

Likely show documentary regarding fracking

Chance to collect petitions

Call to create posters

Call to be present and speak/attend booth

Have intern help

Setup help needed most

Focus on three fish because their survival this summer depends on our water usage

Seabright Water Festival (Mary)

A very good informational event

They are holding monthly meetings

Sierra Club CA Party March 23rd

Mother movie (Mary) - Taking care of 7 billion

April 9th at Kresge - during excom meeting

Another showing as well, date TBA at Resource Center for NonViolence

Mary will ask for Celia and Peter Scott to come and give history talk at an excom meeting

Event for document reading

Outreach Committee (Chair needed)

- Website Memorial piece for Diane Cornell?

- Notify Members about SB1132 (Fracking)

Write up on Jessie Street Marsh

- Maybe add better picture, otherwise ready

Write up fracking March 15th event

Sponsorship Request – Santa Cruz Open Streets October 12th

Ron moves to sponsor event for \$250 plus tabling
Mike seconds
Unanimous

“Wilderness Act Turns 50”, Overpopulation piece, other article submissions for site
May excerpt first paragraph and link

Santa Cruz County Land trust - May invite people to come to talk as they may be creating a national monument; some big money questions rolling around

Sandy Silver of WILPF Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (Ron)

April 24th 7pm event - Panel of Scientists discussing Fukushima

1818 Felt Street Center for Spiritual Living

Dan Heafly - Director of Save our Shores - will be presiding over event

Purpose - to provide public with information regarding radioactive links

Also will talk about Diablo Canyon nuclear plant - in a seismically active area

Ron moves that we co-sponsor event and give \$100
Mary seconds
Unanimous

Tawn moves to adjourn
Mike seconds
Adjourn at 8:45