

Sierra Club - Santa Cruz Group
Minutes: March 11, 2020
Louden Nelson Community Center

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by chair Micah Posner.

Present were:

Micah Posner
Steve Bakaley
Mary Odegaard (Co-Treasurer)
Steve Leonard
Mike Guth (ExCom)
Steve McGirk
Bob Morgan
Jim Danaher (Secretary)
Keresha Durham

2. Treasurer's Report. Mary presented the treasurer's report.

3. Minutes. A discussion was held about how the minutes would be shared and corrected. Jim will forward the minutes to everybody for comments. Mike and Steve B. move to continue approval of the February minutes until the next meeting.

4. Location of Meetings. Will be discussed at the April meeting.

5. Executive Committee Retreat. Keresha talked to two meeting facilitators. Christine Masters costs \$150 to \$200 per hour. Steve B says in the past an ad hoc committee formed to discuss issues about the meeting, including location and format. Mike moves, Bob seconds to form such an ad hoc committee. Motion passes. Bob, Steve Mc, and Micah agreed to be on the committee.

6. Conservation Committee. Steve Mc, Steve B and Keresha met. Steve Mc is looking into issues around Castle Rock State Park. A question arose about whether Transportation and Conservation committees were duplicating their efforts Mike states there is an agreement with National, and that Group needs to be aware of the limitations. Gillian indicated comments on the Plan are due very soon, possibly within a few days, and a letter needs to be sent promptly.

Gillian is concerned that the consent agreement may not have teeth. Mike says the Group needs to take a firm stand. Mike and Steve Mc will meet to write a new letter. Mike asks that whoever has the deadline to tell him immediately.

7. Transportation Committee. Mike moves that the new charter for the Transportation Committee be approved. Steve B seconds. Passes unanimously. A planned

“Parking Garage Education Event” is postponed, but a discussion of what the meeting would entail was held. Bob moves that the Trans. Committee take up the issue, and that the Exec. Committee take up the issue. Mike mentions that the City uses a different name for the project. Micah clarifies that the Group’s position is that it is against the garage.

8. Allocation of \$1000 for Education Related Parking Garage. Mike moves, and Keresha seconds, to authorize a budget of \$1000 for the educational campaign against address climate change. Keresha moved that Micah will write a letter that will be sent to local contacts. Mike seconded. Passes unanimously. Micah will schedule a folding party. Mike moves, Keresha seconded, a budget for the stamps. Passes unanimously.

9. Youth Climate Action Strike. Micah reported on a discussion with SC executive director about guidelines for support for such events. Micah moved that the Group authorize \$500 for the April 22nd climate action, for sound equipment and other costs. Mike moves that Micah apply for a grant for \$500. Keresha seconds. Passes unanimously.

10. Political Committee. Micah moves, and Keresha seconds, that Mike, Micah, Keresha, Ron, Steve B be appointed to the Political Committee. Passes unanimously. Bob will send questionnaires to the committee.

11. Events Committee. Steve B, Keresha, Bob and Micah will table for Earth Day, April 18th. Steve B announces that the March slide show is moved to May 21st. Mike moves to approve the 2020 charter for the Events Committee. Keresha seconded. Passes unanimously. Micah nominates Holly Tyler, John Howerton, Marlene Mirassou, Mary Odegaard, Steve Bakaley, Steve Leonard, Steve McGuirk and Trician Comings as members of the committee. Passes unanimously.

12. Cowell Beach Water Quality Committee. Keresha moves that Gillian be appointed as a Group representative to the committee. Passed unanimously.