

# SIERRA CLUB SANTA CRUZ COUNTY GROUP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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February 10, 2021

6:30-8:30 PM

Meeting will be conducted via <https://zoom.us/> Link required to join the meeting and will provided to Excomm members via

separate correspondence.

Others contact chair or Excomm members to register and join meeting

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Attendees : Micah Posner, Steve Bakaley, Mike Guth, Steve McGuirk, Kristen Sandel, Jerry Busch, Adam Scow. Absent: Bob Morgan and Bruce Sawhill

1. **Welcome and Introductions** 5 min  
Request for note taker

Steve Bakaley volunteered

2. **check ins and announcements...** 10 min

3. **Requests to modify the Agenda** 5 min

**Executive Committee**

4. Approval 01/13/2020 minutes 5 min  
held over to Match 3 special meeting
5. Treasurer's Report (Steve B) 6 min  
Status March Appeal mailing status – Steve B reported the balance in checking and savings. He showed excomm the final proofs of the Appeal letter, insert, and remittance envelope. The mailing will go out to 2845 members. Additionally, 29 past major donors will receive hand addressed letters and notes from our treasurer.
6. Seating and welcoming the new Excomm 10 min  
Mike G and Steve B gave a short orientation to the new members of excomm
7. Election of officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer) 15 min  
Micah Posner chair – unanimous  
Steve Bakaley Vice Chair unanimous  
Kristen Sandel interim secretary unanimous  
Trician Comings and Mary Odegaard co-treasurers unanimous

### Conservation Committee

8. Ratification of Conservation Chair Mike Guth 2 min  
Ratified unanimous
9. Ratification of Conservation Committee Charter and membership 5 min  
Steve Bakaley moved to accept the charter and membership – unanimous  
Adam Scow voted unanimously to be ratified as a member of Conscomm
10. Quick report given by Mike Guth 5 min

A Special meeting scheduled for March 3 at 6:30 to discuss Santa Cruz long range development plan. Action on leaf blower ban put on hold during COVID

11. Approval of letter to Board of Supervisors re:CPUC/PG&E complaint (Kristen) 5 min

vote to approve unanimous. Moved by Steve Bakaley and seconded by Steve McGuirk

12. Formation of Land-use subcommittee (Mike) 10 min  
Discussed – no vote required

### Transportation Committee

13. Ratification of Transportation Chair Bob Morgan 2 min

Ratified unanimous

14. Transportation Justice Series report (Bob) 5 min  
no action required. Co-sponsorship by Sierra club approved 6-0-1 via special email vote

15. Formation of Climate Change Subcommittee (Micah) 15 min  
Micah Posner and Adam Scow charged with preparing a vision statement and a charter. Discussion to make it a subcommittee, a supercommittee (of Transportation) or a standing committee held over pending review of said vision statement and charter: What would such a committee hope to accomplish in Santa Cruz County and does that require the structure of a standing committee independent of Conservation and Transportation Committee?

## Outreach and Events Committee

16. Ratification of Steve McGuirk as committee chair 5 min  
**Unanimous**
17. Ratification of Steve Bakaley as Outings Chair 2 min  
**Unanimous**
18. Sierra Club Outings Status in COVID age (Steve B) 5 min  
**No outings prior to July 4. Outings Chairs from western states to confab on criteria for resuming outings. Steve Bakaley representing Santa Cruz Group of the Ventana Chapter and Mt Diablo Group of the SF Bay Chapter. Lisa Barboza, Loma Prieta Chapter Outings Chair is organizing this effort**

## Nomination and Election Committee

19. Request to destroy ballots and petition forms per bylaws (Steve)  
**Unanimous**
20. Ratification of Steve Bakaley as Nominating Committee Chair (see [Chapter and Group Election Procedures | Campfire Community \(sierraclub.org\)](#) which recommends forming committee early in the year) **Unanimous**
21. Request to form task force to amend our bylaws to allow for electronic voting. **To be headed by Steve Bakaley and also to consider other changes to bylaws while we're at it. Unanimous**
22. **Position Letter recommending traits the Sierra Club would like to see in the new Santa Cruz City Traffic Engineer proposed. Moved by Mike Guth, Not seconded by anyone (per the recording). Passed unanimously anyway.**

**Next regular meeting: Wednesday March 10, 2021**