Called to Order 6:38

Attending: Steve Bakaley, Keresha Durham, Gillian Greensite, Mike Guth, Jane Mio, Rachel O’Malley, Ron Pomerantz, Erica Stanojevic
Mary Odegaard, Bill Lebon

Online votes

Welcome & Introductions... 5 min

Announcements... 5 min
Bonny Doon Eco Reserve - not following master plan - doing some clearcutting/bulldozing
- Suggestion to file a code complaint
Tuesday Senior Saunter at Wilder
Bird Safe Design resolution welcomed at California Cons Comm
Moran Lake update
Juristac Walk on Sunday - was well attended; a good walk
Will plant 30 Oak trees at DeLaVeaga - around 10th of October
County supported Buy Clean Organization

Approval of Minutes: August meeting... 5 min
- A decision that we would meet here in the interim until we determine other meeting locations in the future; need to be amended in minutes
- Ron moves approval with minutes amended, Steve seconds, unanimous save two abstentions due to absence

Treasurer’s Report (Mary)... 5 min
Donations still coming in from March appeal
We are in the black for the year
Events are more than positive
Discussion about location of future meetings
- Mike will bring info about other locations
- Keresha asks us to notify her if we decide to cancel
- We have decided not to meet at the small schools location

Executive Committee (Gillian)... 50 min
Legal issues:

Donation to Nissan issue
- Board of Supervisors - we should write a letter urging them to support the Sustainable Corridors Plan
  - Rachel moves that we will write a letter; Steve seconds; unanimous
  - Gillian will draft

Chapter and C3 funds
- Gillian has not had a response to her request regarding the C3 funds question
- Suggestion to go up to chapter support
- Gillian will attempt to call Joel from Ventana

Transportation Committee Chair (Gillian)
Gillian nominated Kereshka for Transportation Committee Chair
  - Kereshka not voted in as chair
Gillian nominates Mike as Transportation Chair
  - Mike voted in as chair
  - Mike will work to create charter with the transportation group and members list

Group email for Climate Justice Conference: (Steve B.)
Rick Longenotti requested an email blast regarding event
Steve moves that we have an email blast regarding event; Ron seconds; unanimous

Thought that we should discuss a newsletter possibility

Protocol and procedures for representing the Sierra Club (Gillian)
- Proposal from Gillian for guidelines for public speaking
- Discussion
  - Comment that we should think about this for a month before acting on
  - Comment that tabling may need some guidelines as well
  - Comment that we should combine this with the bylaws so that they are all accessible in one place
  - Question about what to do if the topic shifts at the meeting - can we discuss topics that aren't strictly our position
  - Question about time frame

Email protocol. Ways to cut down on emails (Ron)
- One comment - send the “Thank you” emails to the individual
- A comment that for group cohesiveness it is good to see the Thank Yous from each other
- A comment that a few people working on something can go back and forth between themselves and then report to the whole group
- We can ask ourselves “Is this pertinent to the whole group?” Before sending
- A comment that we can verbally do face-to-face appreciations instead of email appreciations as it may be more valuable anyway
- A concern that we sometimes have challenging conversations over email and that those should be in person as much as possible as personal nuances are missed via email
- A comment that “Slack” may be a program that might help organize emails
- A concern that transparency is very important

Internal dynamics: how to best serve the organization. (Ron)
- Discussion
- A thought that if something is important enough to bring to the group then please put it on the agenda
- Distinction between content and personal stuff

Political Committee (Ron)… 10 min
Update on meeting with Maureen McCarty, Mark Stone’s aide.
Jane and Steve Leonard went to meet with Maureen
- Brought up Buy Clean CA and asked for support (before it was passed by supervisors)
- Maureen suggested going to more cities within the county
- Steve suggested contacting UCSC regarding Buy Clean Act - Molly from State said to hold off as will be communicating with an Assemblymember and working with UC Regents as a whole
- AB966 - Cement Plant Bill - is stalling
- Bird Safe Design - Asked for some text to pass to Mark Stone
- Looking to put forward a state resolution
- SB1 - Public Health and Workers act - Hopefully will pass - Will override Fed roadblocks for Endangered Species Act, Fair Labor Act, etc, that the Trump administration has pushed through
  - May be signed by Governor by Oct. 13th

Ron will look into information regarding city council Recall

Conservation Committee (Erica)…40 min
Updates: Streambed Alteration Agreement
- Filipina Warren - Public Works - CA Department of Fish and Wildlife has sent in some revisions
- Monica Oey from CDFW - gave the specifics
- Asked Filipina for revisions - the amendments; asked Monica for the details; said Jane would need to go through Public Records
- Haven’t heard from Filipina
- Jane would like an official letter to Mark Dettle and Micheal Hopper asking for the details
- Also a thought that we can ask Chris Krohn to ask for info
- Freedom of Information Request - can ask for and is should do
- Jane is concerned that the amendments are up in the air and haven’t been incorporated yet
- Mark moves that Jane’s request that the chair will send a letter is sent to Mark Dettle; Rachel seconds; unanimous
- Gillian will send an email to Mark Dettle and copy or blind copy Chris

Tabling: Valley Women’s Club Environmental Town Hall -Mike moved that Jane can go; Steve seconds; unanimous

Pure Water Soquel: whether to endorse.
- Rachel makes a motion that we stay neutral on Pure Water Soquel; Steve seconds
- Mike makes a motion to endorse Pure Water Soquel; no one seconds
- Steve makes a motion to substitute for the first motion to table the discussion; Mike seconds; unanimous

Adjourned 8:47

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 9th 2019