

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
FRIENDS OF THE ELEPHANT SEAL
A California Non-Profit Corporation

A meeting of the Board of Directors of *Friends of the Elephant Seal*, a California non-profit corporation, was held on May 16, 2001 at 4:00 p.m. at the offices of the corporation located at 250 San Simeon Avenue, Suite 3B, San Simeon, California.

The following Directors were present: Mike Levy, Steve Franz, Ray Easton, Ann Grossman and Susan McDonald. Directors not present were: Kerri Caserio and Kathryn Karako.

Mike Levy, President, called the meeting to order. The Minutes were approved as read, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Mike then read the resignation of Ann Grossman from the Board and her office duties into the Minutes. A copy of Ann's resignation is attached hereto, and made a part of these Minutes.

A discussion was held concerning funding on the \$40,000 County grant.

The \$100,000 Coast Resources Grant for the bluff boardwalk was discussed. Susan McDonald has done the preliminary submission of the grant to the Board of Supervisors. She has been working on the grant in conjunction with the California Conservation Corps.

The office manager position was discussed. Susan will make up a job description and offer the position to the Board's choice of docents who might be interested in the job.

A discussion was held on the possibility of having a docent council instead of a docent coordinator.

Future funding for FES was discussed. It was the general consensus of the Board that FES should not continue to rely totally on grants for funding. The Board will need to take a more active approach towards fundraising. Possibly committees can be formed to help.

The Board then discussed enlarging the Board to include more docents. Names were suggested and Susan offered to contact, by letter, those docents that were discussed.

FES was contacted by the SLO County Visitor's & Conference Bureau to renew our membership. It was decided to do so.

The FES general liability and Directors and Officers liability insurance is due for renewal as well. The Board decided to renew the policies.

Karen Tipple of Accurate Accounts, has informed Steve Franz, FES Treasurer, of an increase in her rates. The Board agreed to continue using her services.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Steve Franz, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Steve submitted the Budget Worksheet and discussion was held thereon. Because of the \$40,000 grant funding, he will rework the budget worksheet.

The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, June 20th at 3:00 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

ANN GROSSMAN, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

MIKE LEVY, President