

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 the Friends of the Elephant Seal, a California non-profit corporation was held on Wed. February 15, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. at the Cavalier Plaza meeting room located at San Simeon.

Directors present: Ann Grossman, Ken Eberle, Jim Devine, Carol Bean, Joan Crowder, Barbara Rice and recording secretary, Judy Burley. Guests present: Ken Dunn, Leander Tamoria, Lou Tornatzky and Bill Johnson.

Lou and Lynette Tornatzky from Lean NP Consulting spoke to the directors about collaboration between the firm and FES. Their services would be provided at no charge. The board will discuss the proposal at a future meeting. Ann will contact Lou after the Board's decision.

The board has asked Ken Dunn to become a member. Ken accepted. A motion was made, seconded and passed that: Ken Dunn become a member of the FES Board of Directors. His 2 yr. term will begin on January 1, 2006.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that: The minutes from the January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006 board meeting are approved.

Ann suggested that the FES membership should receive a 10% discount when purchasing items from the FES office. The directors agreed and Jerome will make an addition to the website about the discount.

The docent dinner/meeting will be held on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at Camp Ocean Pines. FES will provide the dinner. The docents will be notified and may RSVP in the office. Ann will write Nick Franco from State Parks to speak at the dinner.

The business membership "new member" campaign will be sent. The business members from the Cambria Chamber will be the first mailing. The solicitation is for memberships or sponsorship of the newsletters.

Bill Johnson received a request from Cal Poly for FES to join the Community and Corporate Partners Initiative. Cal Poly has waived the initiation fee. Ann will call Dennis Parks, Dean Continuing Education to accept.

The American Zoo and Aquarium Association has invited FES to join them in the Wonders of Water event. The Santa Barbara Zoo will be contacted by Ann to let them know that FES will participate in the on-site festivities on June 4<sup>th</sup>. FES will set up an informational booth at the event.

The Treasurer's Report is accepted as presented. A copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Leander Tamoria from California State Parks brought 3 cell phones for use by FES. He also informed the directors of a community public comment meeting that will be held in Cambria at the Vet's Hall on March 8<sup>th</sup>. He will send FES the final state parks closure notice.

Docent Charlotte Bailey has become a new member of the Training Committee. Mary Lee has interviewed possible spring trainees. The spring trainees will mentor with FES docents and commit to attending the fall training. The mentoring will be done in April. They will be on the bluff in May. Mary Lee suggested putting the application to become a docent on the website. Jerome agreed. Ann will contact Brian Caserio about filming the next training session.

Joan Crowder will need a replacement for Darlene Cho on the Newsletter Committee. Jerome suggested new docent Brandt Kehoe. He will contact Brandt about joining.

Judy Burley asked the directors to extend Jackie Johnston's hours in the office from 8 to 16 each week. A motion was made, seconded and passed that Jackie Johnston increase her hours in the office each week from 8 to 16.

Judy asked the board to approve a new order of shirts from Estero Bay Graphics. The cost would be approximately \$ 1,000.00. The directors approved the expenditure.

The March FES Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the Cavalier Plaza. There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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Ann Grossman, President

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Judy Burley, recording secretary