

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
FRIENDS OF THE ELEPHANT SEAL

Minutes of January 20, 2010

Charmaine Coimbra updated the Board on the upcoming SASS dinner. The poster contest ends 1/6/2010. The winning poster will be used for the invitations and posters. The artist showcase is set. Charmaine will check into the artist's abilities to accept payment by credit card. The menu is set and the food is donated.

A motion was made and failed that the book, Shelby the Brave Little Pup by Julia Stanert be sold in the FES office and for a book signing taking place at the viewing area. Judy will notify the author.

Sandra Keohe was nominated and agreed to become a member of the FES Board of Directors. A motion was made, seconded and passed that Sandra Kehoe becomes a member of the FES Board of Directors. She will begin her first term in Feb., 2010.

Camp Ocean Pines will be hosting a Marine Mammals weekend seminar. The dates will be Feb. 19th thru Feb. 21st. The office will forward information to the docents about the seminars registration.

Kathryn Karako was approached by Ca. State Parks and the Sheriff's office while doing an FES census. Kathryn will meet with Brandt, Mary Lee Becwar and Judy to discuss the census program. A note in the next docent letter will let the docents know Kathryn will be in a Research Do Not Disturb jacket while she is doing the census. They should make sure that anyone they see in the dunes is not Kathryn before making any calls to park rangers.

Brandt will contact Ca. State Park Ranger Brooke Gutierrez to set up a meeting. They will discuss and clarify the contact information for the docents.

P.J. informed the board that the MMC Volunteer Council will be meeting on Feb. 20th. Executive Director, Jeff Boehm will be here and P.J. suggested the FES board meet with him.

P.J. notified the directors that there is an MBNMS, CAFSG and Coast Guard task force regarding oil spill prevention. She stated there is not much information about the Montebello.

Megg McNamee has been entering the tube/table information on the FES bank deposits. She noted the table has continued to be successful.

Judy previously sent each director information about the FES State Sales Tax requirements. The

board is aware the silent auction receipts are items that will have sales tax applied. In previous years the sales tax for tickets was included in the sales tax paid to the caterer.

The FES committees were updated. The changes included Brandt Kehoe as chair of the Docent Meeting and Education Committee and the Board Development Committee. He will now also be a member of the Budget and Finance Committee. The Fundraising Committee currently has no chair.

Judy and Diana Teetzel will continue meeting with the Cal Poly students who are redesigning the Access program. The project will be completed the end of Feb. The students will invite the FES Board to attend their presentation.

The next FES board meeting will be held on Wed. Feb. 17th, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the Cavalier Plaza meeting room. There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45.

Brandt Kehoe, President

Judy Burley, Recording Secretary