

**SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Minutes of January 5, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jeff Barnouw  
Phil Pryde  
Linda Oster  
Candy Bowman  
Jim Lyon  
Liz Gabrych  
Dorothy McLin  
Don Wendt  
Carol Carr  
Ben Hillebrecht  
Bob McClure  
Alice Brown  
Susan Williams  
Dave Kreitzer  
Bill Michalsky  
Arthur Schmitz  
Jacqueline Winterer

**REPRESENTING**

CAC, Chair  
Audubon Society  
Del Dios Town Council  
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley  
Friends of Sikes Adobe  
League of Women Voters  
Lomas Serenas Property Owners  
Ramona Trails Association  
San Diego County Bicycle Coalition  
San Diego City Agricultural Advisory Board  
San Diego Zoo Safari Park  
San Dieguito Lagoon Committee  
San Dieguito Planning Group  
San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy  
Sierra Club  
Eastern Property Owner  
Coastal Property Owner

**VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT**

Kevin McKernan  
Shawna Anderson  
Brenda Miller

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**Roll Call and Introductions**

Chair Barnouw convened the meeting at 10:55 a.m. at the San Rafael Parish, 17252 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo. A quorum was met, with 16 members in attendance.

**Approval of Minutes**- November 3, 2017

Jacqueline Winterer moved to approve the minutes of November 3, 2017 and Bill Michalsky seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Chair's Report** – No Report

**Executive Director's Report**- No Report

**Public Comment** - None

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION**

### **1. Committee Reports**

- a. **Project Review Committee** – Shawna Anderson reported that the next meeting will be held Monday January 22, 2018.
- b. **Trails Committee** – Carol Carr reported on the San Diego Mountain Bike Association proposal for loop trails in Pamo Valley. The proposal was made to the Forest Service to build 20 to 80 miles of trails on Forest Service land. After discussion the decision was made to have Principal Planner Shawna Anderson request a copy of the project proposal. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 9.
- c. **Interpretation Committee** – Liz Gabrych reported that the committee met in November. The scholarship application form has been finalized with two scholarships being offered. The deadline to return applications is April 2 and scholarships will be awarded mid May. Ms. Gabrych reported that there is a link on the sdrp.org website to an intern application. The committee discussed an interpretive panel inventory and will assist Manager of Interpretation and Outreach, Leana Bulay, with the volunteer recruitment and training on March 31. The committee will meet Tuesday, January 9.

### **2. Election of Officers Chair/Vice-Chair**

Chair Barnouw and Vice-Chair Winterer's office terms concluded December 2017. Chair Barnouw stated that both he and Vice-Chair Winterer would like to continue in their current positions for another two-year term. There were no other nominations. Liz Gabrych made the motion to nominate Jeff Barnouw for the office of Chair, Carol Carr seconded the motion. Candice Bowman nominated Jacqueline Winterer for the office of Vice-Chair, Don Wendt seconded. All in favor.

## **INFORMATION**

### **3. Park Project Status (oral)**

- a. **Pamo Valley Trail**

Principal Planner Shawna Anderson reported that the trail is about one-third completed. The most difficult section of the trail; requiring construction of drainage, installing a bridge and trail capping is being done now. After this section is complete, construction on the rest of the trail will go much faster. Ms. Anderson stated that there will be many opportunities for assistance of building shade structures and benches after the trail is open.

b. Founders Tribute

Principal Planner Shawna Anderson reported that the art work is being fabricated and that the video is in production. The Founders Tribute Committee will meet to review the project. An extension has been requested of the San Diego County Neighborhood Reinvestment Program grant.

c. Surf Cup Trail Segment

Executive Director Kevin McKernan reported that Surf Cup will begin building this section of the trail. There has been a lot of unrelated activity near the trail. There is access to the trail property during Surf Cup business hours. There is no connection across El Camino Real from the Horse Park Trail to this new section of trail. The recommendation was made to send emails in support of the trail to the Surf Cup organization.

4. Communications

Linda Oster reported that an opening ceremony will be held for the Hodgee statue on Lake Drive in Del Dios Saturday, January 6 at 4:00 pm. Phil Pryde shared a flyer for the intermediate birding class he is teaching six Saturday mornings beginning February 17 at the Tecolote Nature Center. Liz Gabrych reported that Rick Halsey wrote an interesting editorial for the Los Angeles Times on the subject of chaparral and fire. Ms. Gabrych directed members to the Chaparral Institute for more information. Chair Barnouw expressed fire concerns from chaparral growth in Crest Canyon, Los Penasquitos Canyon, and Gonzalez Canyon. Executive Director McKernan announced that reservations are being accepted for the Friends of Sikes Adobe Valentine Tea event. Director McKernan also announced the volunteer recruitment training that will be held on March 31. He added that a new shade structure has been installed over an existing bench near the I-5 freeway at the coast. The shade was built by the rangers with a donation from Jan Lines, in memory of her niece Jill. The Barnouw Bridge ribbon cutting ceremony will be held Wednesday, January 17. Jim Lyon encouraged volunteering and the need for docents at Sikes Adobe Historic Farmstead.

Chair Barnouw adjourned the meeting at 11:31 am.