

## **Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

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Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission

November 15, 2012, 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Conference Room 5, Public Safety Facility, Santa Monica, CA

### *Attendance:*

Liz Crosson

Fran Diamond

Mike Gin

Dean Kubani (for Richard Bloom)

Sarah Sikich)

Absent:

Mark Pestrella, Rebekah

Rodriguez-Lynn

### Staff Present:

Tom Ford, Shelley Luce, Scott Valor,

Guangyu Wang

Guests: None

*Note: Agenda Items are listed in the order in which they were taken up. Called to order at 2:11 p.m.*

Fran Diamond chaired the meeting

### *Agenda Item 1. Public Comment*

None

### *Agenda Item 2. Informational Items*

- a. Consideration of Approval of September 20, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Approved without objection (M: Crosson, S: Gin)

- b. Order of Agenda

Unchanged

- c. Reports from the Executive Director and Staff

Shelley Luce discussed the Lobster Fisheries Management Plan resolution. She stated that staff is responding to requests by Governing Board members for more info. She suggested bringing it back to the GB in February, rather than December. The advisory committee will likely meet in early March, so February would be the latest to bring the resolution to the GB. Sarah Sikich stated that the resolution language should remain strong. Luce suggested a general presentation at the December GB meeting. Sikich suggested comparing to other fisheries. Luce suggested a map of the bay with areas noted where fishing is/is not authorized. Mike Gin suggested providing context for the regulatory process that is being discussed. Fran Diamond suggested the rationale for the regulation be explained as well.

Luce discussed the IRWMP MOU which we originally signed in 2008. The new MOU has minor, non-substantive changes. Luce also gave a brief summary of current IRWMP issues.

Luce noted that the MOU between the Annenberg Foundation and the Dept. of Fish and Game has been nearly finalized, but has not yet been signed. She noted that DFG has asked SMBRC and the Coastal Conservancy to also sign it. Luce noted that the head of DFG

believes the three state entities together could work better to ensure the MOU provisions are carried out. Luce asked for confirmation that the ED maintains the authority to sign on behalf of the board, to which the EC replied in the affirmative.

Luce stated that we have been involved in the county Water Quality Funding Initiative (WQFI). We are on the criteria and outreach committees. Criteria are being finalized in order that accurate outreach can be done.

SMBRF hired a new Communications Director. She will come to the December GB meeting to be introduced.

Luce noted that our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party will be in October 2013. We are deciding venues, etc. and will confirm shortly.

Luce said that Melina Watts nominated SMBRC and State Parks for an RCD partner award.

*Agenda Item 3. Executive Committee Business*

- a. Establish Governing Board Agenda for December

Election of Chair and Vice-Chairs from Governing Board Membership

Luce stated that we will have a new chair and vice-chairs. Richard Bloom is no longer the chair. Staff will send out a nomination notice to the Governing Board and close the nomination period two days prior to the December GB meeting.

The item was placed on the agenda without objection. (M: Crosson, S: Gin)

Presentation on Lobster Fisheries Management

This was discussed under the ED report.

- b. Member Comments and Announcements Regarding Matters not on the Agenda

Kubani noted that there are two open seats on the Measure B advisory committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m. without objection.