

**CNPS SAN DIEGO CHAPTER**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**February 7, 2018**

Audubon Offices, 4010 Morena Blvd. Suite 100 San Diego, CA

**AGENDA**

**Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.** (Quorum = Six Board Members)

**Known absences:** None

- I. **Welcome visitors** (6:30 – 6:45)
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- II. **Additions or Changes to the Agenda** – 1 min (6:45-6:47)
  - A. Vote to approve.
- III. **Review of Minutes** – (Mike) min (7:05-7:10)
  - A. Date of minutes – vote to approve.
- IV. **Treasurer’s Report** – (Connie) 15 min (7:10-7:25)
  - A. Report – vote to approve.
- V. **Sue Marchetti Resignation** -- Hi Bobbie and Tom - since I am not sure if Tom has taken over already as president, I am writing to you both. This is my notice to you that i m resigning from the Board. I have way too much on my plate and I need to cut back a bit. I have enjoyed my time on the Board. I'm sure you won't have any problem finding someone to take my place. I know it will be an exciting year ahead with lots of good thing accomplished. Sue Marchetti
- VI. **Committee Reports**
  - A. **Programs** (Torrey)
  - B. **Field Trips** (Justin) 7:30-7:35
  - C. **Sales (Cindy) Attachment 1** (7:35-7:40)
  - D. **Conservation Committee** (Frank) 30 min 7:40 – 8:05
  - E. **Report on CNPS Conference.** (8:05 –8:10)
  - F. **Mini-grant Guidelines** (Tom, Torrey, Mike and Bobbie are the committee). Table to next meeting so committee can review guidelines distributed December 27, 2017.
  - G. **Garden Tour Update** from Judie Lincer (Attachment 2)
  - H. **Garden Committee** – (Al) (8:15-8:20)
  - I. **Personnel Committee** (Bobbie) 8:20-8:25
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- VII. **New Business**
  - A. (8:25-8:30) **Pollinator Alliance** \_\_\_\_\_ Ann Baldrige – Program Manager Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County *In Partnership with the Fire Safe Council of San Diego County* 11769 Waterhill Road Lakeside, CA 92040 619-562-0096 [www.rcdsandiego.org](http://www.rcdsandiego.org)
  - B. (8:30—8:40) Recommendation that we discontinue the plant sale, scheduled for April 28, 2018 at the Cuyamaca College /Water Conservation Garden Spring Festival.The budget impact of discontinuance is not more than \$1,500 (net), based on last year's financials. If discontinued,

we will follow up with Moosa Creek and TOL (who have been consulted), and make a few calendar notifications

### C. Items

1. Mini Grants and Treasurer- Suggest we have someone (other than the Treasurer's Report) be in charge of Mini Grants. The organization, the amount, and making sure it gets closed out properly. Someone would need to volunteer for this responsibility.
2. Bank Relationship - Need to approve Tom Oberbauer to be the executive for CNPS, SD and to get signature authority on the accounts.
3. Regarding the Administrative page on the Website, we need to make sure that ALL of the minutes, ALL of the Agendas, and ALL of the Financial Reports get uploaded . . . I am getting an appointment with Joseph to get my info current - many approved minutes have not been updated. Can we talk about this at the meeting please.
4. **Media Director Description**
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### D. Mini Grants

1. UC San Diego Edible Medicinal Native Plant Garden & Monarch Butterfly Habitat Project.
2. Elementary school in Escondido, [Will send info Tuesday or have as handout]

## E. Helped needed to design gopher-free pollinator garden!

The Escondido Creek Conservancy (Conservancy) has installed three native pollinator gardens and is looking to install more. We have recently been in communication with an elementary school in central Escondido (Conway) that very much would like a garden and has suggested a site that is perfect in most aspects – except – it currently is heavily infested with gophers.

Our environmental ethic is to not poison the gophers and the school district doesn't allow trapping. We are aware of different approaches to control gophers including planting in gopher cages and/or lining the entire site in mesh. We've also discussed installing owl boxes. We are looking to work with the children and help them be part of figuring out the alternatives, reviewing the pros and cons of various approaches, and installing the garden.

We'd love to partner with a landscape designer that can both help pick the best approach and the best plants (those best able to withstand gophers) to beautify the site and create a healthy and successful pollinator garden. We would like to be planting this fall.

Can you help?

Contact: [information@EscondidoCreek.org](mailto:information@EscondidoCreek.org)

- F. South Bay Earth Day (Attachment 3)
- G. N-Gen biocultural BioBlitz (Attachment 4)
- H. Earth Day Balboa Park (Attachment 5)
- I. Fiesta Botanica (Attachment 6)
- J. Update on Grand Caribe Shoreline Park (Attachment 7)
- K. **Old Business** (8:45 – 8:50)

**1. Ideas for our money (Tom/Al) (8:50-9:00)**

- a) Grant Program for Students
- b) Big Ticket Project

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**VIII. Chapter Meeting Welcoming Table Assignments (Connie) - 1 min**

**IX. Chapter Council Mtg – March 2018, Anza Borrego.**

**X. Next Meeting Date: March 7, 2018**

Important agenda items?

Tasks to accomplish prior?

**XI. Wrap up and conclusions**