Friends of the Dunes Board Meeting
Humboldt Coastal Nature Center
Tuesday, April 7, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Board: Kim McFarland, Mike Wilson, John St. Marie, Tamara Wilson, Mike Seeber, David Hitchcock, Mike Dronkers

Staff: Carol Vander Meer, Emily Walter

Public: Sandra Jarebek, Debbie Farber-Bush, John Stokes, Lisa Hoover

I. PUBLIC INPUT - At the beginning of each meeting, the public is welcome to make comments pertinent to Friends of the Dunes mission, programs and activities.

II. APPROVE MARCH MINUTES
David Hitchcock motioned to approve the March minutes, 2nd from Mike Seeber, all in favor. Motion passed.

III. REVIEW AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL UPDATED TOLOWA DUNES STEWARDS MOU
Mike Dronkers suggests revisiting Tolowa Dunes Stewards MOU and FOD’s relationship with them in six months.

Mike Wilson is happy to work with TDS to update the MOU in the future.

John St. Marie moved to approve the MOU with the Tolowa Dunes Stewards with a six month review, 2nd from Mike Dronkers, all present were in favor. Motion passed.

IV. REVIEW OF DASHBOARD AND FINANCIALS
Emily reviewed the dashboard.

V. STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
Coastal Development Permit application
Emily reviewed the draft permit application with the board.

Kim McFarland motioned to direct staff to submit the CDP application to the county with suggestions from tonight’s discussion and with review by land stewardship committee, 2nd Mike Seeber. Tamara Gedik did not vote, John St. Marie voted no and the rest of the board that were present were in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Trail easement agreement
Lisa and John Stokes reviewed the purpose of the trail easement agreement with the Stamps Family.

Mike Dronkers motioned to proceed with agreement with the Stamps Family Trust, 2nd from John St. Marie, all present were in favor. Motion passed
ACTION: John St. Marie will work with the stewardship committee to contact the Stamps Family.

Stamps first right of refusal
ACTION: The board will review document put forth by John Stokes to discuss at May board meeting.

Resolution to accept NFWF funds
David Hitchcock motioned to approve the resolution to accept funding through the State Coastal Conservancy for restoration and to have Emily Walter and Mike Wilson as signators for the grant, 2nd from John St. Marie. (Roll call vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, 4 board members not present.

VI. ED TRANSITION UPDATE
The E.D. transition committee updated the board on the hiring process.

VII. BOARD MEMBER RECRUITMENT
Mike Dronkers motion to approve Beth Frink’s application to be a FOD Board Member, 2nd from Tamara Gedik, all present were in favor. Motion passed.

VIII. FUNDRAISING
Get Outside Gear Sale update and needs
Business Partners Update
Wine by the Sea
Consider proposals by special event coordinators - Debbie Farber Bush
Schedule fundraising/Wine by the Sea meeting

IX. REVIEW OF DIRECTOR’S REPORT & PREVIEW OF ANNUAL REPORT
Kim McFarland motioned to approve Carol Vander Meer to continue work on 3 current grants, 2nd from David Hitchcock, all present were in favor. Motion passed.

X. UPCOMING EVENTS
- Get Outside Gear sale: April 11
- Ocean Day- June 3
- Folie Douce- June 8
- Sand Sculpture Festival- July 25

XI. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS
- Fundraising meeting, Tuesday, April 28th at 4pm at the Nature Center

Adjourn: 8:35 p.m.