

PACIFIC GROVE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

Museum Board Special Meeting

MINUTES

October 28, 2008

- PRESENT:** David Shonman (Chair); Geva Arcanin; Sharon Blaziek; John Pearse;
Judy Wills
- ABSENT:** *none*
- STAFF:** Lori Mannel
- GUESTS:** Carmelita Garcia, Pat Herrgott, Sally Herrgott, Nancy McDowell
(Lighthouse Docent Coordinator), Judd Perry, Esther Trosow, Vern Yadon
(Curator Emeritus)

- I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** The Agenda was unanimously approved.
- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
Pat Hergott asked about Minutes for previous meetings. Shonman reported that he is working to bring minutes up-to-date as soon as possible.
- III. BOARD COMMENTS:**
Blaziek noted that the Museum Association's Annual meeting would be held on Saturday, November 1 at 2:00 p.m.
- IV. Museum Mission Statement [Mannel]:**
Museum Manager Mannel stated that Museum's Mission needed to be updated to reflect recent changes; these recommended changes would help the Museum's re-accreditation efforts.

Public Comments:

Larry Telles (Former Museum Board Chairman) sent an e-mail re this issue (attached).

Vern Yadon expressed concern about access to the Collection by citizens conducting “research.” He suggested that “research” needs to be better defined.

V. Council Policy 200-5 [Mannel]:

Museum Manager Mannel proposed changes in Policy 200-5 that were needed to support AAM reaccreditation. These are described in detail in the attached report: “Proposed Amendment to Council Policy 200-5” dated October 22, 2008.

Public Comments:

Judd Perry recommended that the Museum provide “tracked” version.

Pat Herrgott expressed concern about Lori Mannel’s Title (“Museum Manager”), and asked about “Directing Manager” and “Managing Director.”

Motion: Board member Pearse made a motion, seconded by member Blaziek, and unanimously approved, to advise the City Council to accept the changes to Policy 200-5 as described in the Staff Report.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

David Shonman
Chairman
Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History Board