

**MEETING OF THE BOARD  
THE COASTAL SOCIETY  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2003**

**ATTENDANCE:** John Duff, President; Paul Ticco, President-elect; Robert Boyles, Secretary; Board members Michael Henderson, Gib Chase, Laurie Jodice, Joelle Gore, Robert Goodwin; Duke Student Chapter President Lindsay Fullenkamp, UW Student Chapter President Becky Ellis, ECU Student Chapter President Kelly Gleason, TCS Executive Director, Judy Tucker. Regrets: Hildebrand and Skinner out of town on business and unavailable; Cuschnir available but out of the country making expense of call to sponsor too great; Nelsen regret on day of due to emergency conflict at work.

**I. Welcome and Thanks**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:00 pm EST. John Duff welcomed everyone, especially those newly elected members of the TCS Board. Duff also welcomed Ariel Cuschnir to the Board. In accordance with the TCS by-laws and with approval from the TCS Board, Duff appointed Cuschnir to the TCS Board of Directors to fill the vacancy created by the election of Paul Ticco as TCS President-elect.

**II. Approval of minutes from the December 2, 2002 meeting of the TCS Board.**

The 12/02 minutes were passed by electronic vote and recorded on February 10, 2003.

**III. President's Report**

- A. Duff explained that he had wanted to schedule a meeting in late 2002 to transition between Walter Clark's tenure and his own tenure as TCS President, but other obligations prevented that.
- B. TCS 19: Planning committee should get up and running shortly. Duff encouraged all Board members to carefully consider how each would like to become involved in the planning and staging of TCS 19. **ACTION:** Judy Tucker to poll individual Board members for their area(s) of involvement with TCS 19 and on other committees.

**IV. Treasurers Report**

Tucker reported for TCS Treasurer Mo Lynch. The end of year balances for 12/31/2002 showed TCS total assets of \$52,876.13. Duff requested that committees submit requests for funding they propose in the coming year.

**V. Special Projects**

Paul Ticco reported that the University of Washington student chapter has requested \$250.00 from TCS to support a mixer at which sustainability issues would be discussed. After some discussion it was agreed that more information would be necessary and that in no case should TCS funds be used to purchase alcohol for the event. Becky Ellis informed the Board that other funds would be used for food and beverages at the planned event and that TCS support would be used for other expenses such as facility rentals and set-up charges.

**ACTION:** Board to develop guidelines for the types of events that TCS could support in the future using the UW event as an example.

**ACTION:** Duff asked Membership Committee member Michael Henderson to work with Tucker and student chapters to make recommendations about chapter dues structures and as a source of chapter income.

**Motion:** Ticco made the motion that the TCS Board agrees to provide the University of Washington TCS Student chapter with \$250 to be support non-food and alcohol expenses for the function. Further, that the University of Washington Student chapter provide a final report on the event.

**Second:** Boyles

**Discussion:** None

**Outcome:** the motion passed unanimously

## **VI. Special Projects Committee**

Duff asked committee chair Ticco to discuss with the committee the Board retreat, a possible one day session separate from CZ03 in Baltimore.

## **VII. Communications Committee**

A. TCS Website: Laurie Jodice reported that she had been working to update the TCS website, including posting *TCS Bulletin* back issues and a publication page that includes information about the *TCS Bulletin*, *Coastal Management Journal*, and *TCS Proceedings*. Joelle Gore informed the Board that the Duke chapter is working on developing a web-based mentoring data base. **ACTION:** Gore, Jodice, and Lindsay Fullenkamp will work on a statement of project objectives, alternative approaches, and projected cost for this project and will present to the TCS Board for information.

B. Board communications: Duff informed the Board that she has sent “invitations” to join a Yahoo group user board that allows members to communicate and share documents in development. Duff expects that this will facilitate the work of the TCS Board.

C. *TCS Bulletin*: Duff reminded the TCS Board that TCS is constantly looking for articles and ideas for publication in the *TCS Bulletin*. Duff suggested that the Spring issue will go to production in early- to mid-February, and submissions for publication were due February 7.

## **VIII. Membership Committee**

A. Status: Tucker reported that fourth quarter 2002 membership was an all-time high of 348, besting the previous record of 342 members in 2000. This number included 123 new members, 43 members from the conference, 28 members from the TCS Board challenge, and 43 in student chapters.

B. 2003 Sponsorship challenge: Duff challenged the Board to recruit new members. They pledged to recruit the following number of new members:

Duff	12
Fullenkamp	5

Chase	5
Ticco	12
Goodwin	6
Henderson	6
Jodice	5
Gleason	5
Ellis	5
Gore	5
<u>Boyles</u>	<u>5</u>
TOTAL	71

**VIII. Old Business:** *None*

**IX. New Business**

Gib Chase asked how many TCS Board members were planning on attending Coastal Zone '03 in Baltimore in July. Consensus was that many members would attend, hence the reason for planning a TCS Board retreat in conjunction with the conference.

**X. Chapter Reports**

Cascadia representative Robert Goodwin reported that Cascadia member Eldon Hout has been named director of NOAA's Office of Ocean & Coastal Resource Management. Also, Jessica Hamilton will replace Laurie Jodice as the Oregon Director of the Cascadia Board.

**XI. Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:55pm.