

# Navarre Beach Marine Sanctuary Committee Meeting Minutes

## February 28, 2011

**Present at meeting:** Mandy Evers, Bob Byrer Dan McCarren, Mike Sandler, Mark Griffith, Joanna Hammond, Andy Epstein

**A. Permitting update** – on track to have permits in June. Waiting for final signature.

**B. Community Awareness:**

- a. Pensacola State College's College and Community Fair – 3/2/11 – Nancy attending
- b. Emerald Coast Home Show (FWB) – 3/12 and 3/13/11 – Saturday only. Mandy in the morning, Mark and Andy in the afternoon. Mandy will be the point of contact
  - Garden Club Spring Expo – April 17<sup>th</sup> - Unsure about date. Mike and Andy will confirm date.
- c. Fun Fest – April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> – Mike will research the cost of a booth space

**C. Fundraising:**

a. Grant Updates

- FWC Grant – Mandy Evers , Mark Griffith – deadline past
- Gulf Power – Mandy Evers – small grant, next deadline in May. Will decide to apply at next meeting
- Guy Harvey – Nancy Sandler – send in request for funding of Gulf Site
- Publix – Debbie Starling – have all necessary information, can apply each month. Make decision on what to apply for and when at next meeting
- Wal-Mart – Bob Byrer – Bob is working on the on-line application
- Impact 100 – Nancy Sandler – Nancy will send LOI.
- Colcum Grant – Nancy Sandler – were not chosen for consideration
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation – Mark Grittith –were not chosen for consideration

b. New Grants

- NRDA – Mandy submitted materials to the county.

- c. Reef Sponsorship Program Update – Prices and concept discussed. Committee would like a simple price list by the end of April.
- d. Run For the Reef (Mark) Update – collecting sponsorship, looking into a new race logo, Andy to take care of press releases. Mandy will send the press contact list to Andy. Still looking for volunteers for the committee. Debbie Starling expressed interest in volunteer to Mandy.
- e. Other Funding Opportunities – Hampton Inn would like to be involved in fundraising event for the committee

**D. Committee Leadership**

- a. Foundation policy – volunteers on the committee do not have to be Foundation members. However, the chair person does have to be a Foundation member. Chamber policy changed regarding membership. Any employee of a chamber member will be considered an associate member of the chamber. Like a chamber member, but can not vote.

- b. Assigning positions – Mandy discussed the need to have positions on the committee to spread the work load and to make thing run efficiently. Secretary and Communtiy Awareness Coordinator were proposed. No one accepted a position. Will discuss again next meeting.

**E. Next Meeting**

- March 28, 2011 at 6PM at the Hampton Inn, Navarre