

HUMBOLDT-ERFSA Executive Committee Meeting, April 13, 2023, Notes

In attendance: Marshelle Thobaben, Jeffery Borgeld, James Floss, Bernadette Cheyne, Susan Dobie and Ken Fulgham

Luncheons: Attendance was good at today's luncheon featuring Matthew Marshall, Executive Director of the Redwood Coast Energy Authority. A few community members attended.

Meeting: The primary purpose of today's Executive Committee was to review 13 small grant proposals and choose recipients. We agreed to disperse \$6,000 to the ten following applicants:

- **MORGAN BARKER, Sustainability Librarian, University Library, for “Sustainable Libraries Initiative certification for Cal Poly Humboldt.”**
- **STEPHANIE CORIGLIANO, Lecturer, Religious Studies, for “Research and study of Tibetan Buddhism at Gomde California’s Buddhist Studies Summer Program.”**
- **CAGLAR DOLEK, Assistant Professor of Sociology, for “Marginalized Poor & Radical Imagination: A Teaching Development Project.”**
- **TAWANDA GARA, Assistant Professor, Environmental Science and Management, for “Retrieving tree species diversity via leaf functional traits using remote sensing.”**
- **ANNA E. GOLDMAN, Museum Curator of the Department of Wildlife, for “Borneo Field Course: the importance of natural history and how it incorporates ecology and conservation.”**
- **SARAH LASLEY, Assistant Professor, Art + Film Department, for “Climate Control – an experimental documentary on climate anxiety/dissonance and its intersection with recent advancements in the use of AI chatbots.”**
- **JENNIFER MARLOW, Assistant Professor, Environmental Science and Management, for “44 Feet: Vulnerabilities, Opportunities, and Strategies for Managing Risk from Sea-Level Rise to Humboldt Bay’s Spent Nuclear Fuel Site.”**
- **SAMANTHA PUENTES, Senior Accountant & Financial Analyst, Accounting Department, for “Certified Management Accountant Certification.”**
- **TANI SEBRO, Assistant Professor, Department of Politics and International Studies, for “Scholars and Activists at Risk in Burma Studies.”**
- **HO YI WAN, Assistant Professor, Department of Wildlife, for “Increasing the use of trail cameras and spatial data to improve undergraduate and graduate education and research in wildlife science.”**

Spring Presenters: The final presentation in the series, on May 11, is a presentation and discussion with Jeffrey Crane, Dean of the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

Communications: James will continue to disseminate Humboldt-ERFSA press with the help of the links at <https://marcom.humboldt.edu/wordout>. The 2023 Small Grant Recipients will be disseminated to the press tomorrow.

Treasurer’s report: Financial services remain months behind in reports not only for us but for other entities across the campus. Here are the values for our joint decision-making on Grant Awards:

- As of March 2023, our HAF balance was \$51,933.73
- As of July 2022, our HAF balance was \$43,952.06
- April 10, 2023 TV-0112 account remains unchanged at \$4,844.01
- The 2022 Awards totaled \$4,160.00
- The 2022 Development Campaign netted Humboldt-ERFSA \$8,310.00

Web Page: We discussed that “How to join Humboldt-ERFSA” needed to be more prominent on the page. It was decided to have a link at the end of the first paragraph on the page.

Emeritus Status: Not every applicant for Emeritus status was informed in a timely manner of the rejection of their application. There is a need for the Office of the Provost to notify applicants of denied emeritus status. No reasons were given for the rejection of applicants through the Provost’s office.

Grant Program: As we discussed the 13 applicants, we also discussed the verbiage for our next grant proposals. We decided to meet at 2 PM on June 1 to codify language for our next grant cycle.

Reception: The Humboldt-ERFSA reception for new emeritus members and donors to the Small Grant program will be held on Monday, April 24 from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM at Septentrio Winery at 650 6th Street, Arcata, CA 95521. We will introduce the Executive committee, visiting administration, those newly granted emeritus statuses, and Small Grant donors. \$500 is coming from our own dues-paying fund and \$500 will come from CSU-ERFSA. Thanks to the Cal Poly Humboldt Foundation for their generous contribution to the reception.

--Submitted by James Floss, Saturday, April 22, 2023