SECOORA MEMBERS MEETING

TUESDAY MAY 8, 2012: UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI – RSMAS MIAMI, FL

Members Present:
Cliff Merz
Jyotika Virmani
George Maul
Mike Spranger
Shirley Pomponi
Dick Dodge
Mitch Roffer
Peter Hamilton
Rick DeVoe
Jim Nelson
Roger Pugliese
Peter Sheng
Harvey Seim
Lynn Leonard
Pat Welsh
Bob Weisberg
Steve Woll
Conrad Lautenbacher
Nick Shay
Georges Weatherly (via proxy)
John Proni (via proxy)
Joe Ramus
J.P. Walsh (via proxy)
Manhar Dhanak (via proxy)
Kathleen O’Keife (via proxy)
Michael Kindel (via proxy)
Greg Bossart (via proxy)
Quinton White
Jason Nichols (via proxy)
Ruoying He
Graham Worthy (via proxy)
Dwayne Porter
George Voulgaris
Patrick Bradley
Freda Zifteh
Alan Leonardi (also representing Geno Olmi- NOAA SECART)

Members Absent:
Lundie Spence
Lisa Adams
Kevin Xu
Edwin Massey
Bob VanDolah
Jacqui Michel
Rick Cole
John Dunnigan
Geno Olmi  
Eric Strom  
George Sedberry  

Quorum was met at 8:30 AM  

ROLL CALL/WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS  
Megan Lee took roll call as people walked in. Dick Dodge welcomed all the members. He reintroduced the staff and reviewed the day's agenda. The members approved the agenda. Members did not request any additions to the agenda.  

MEMBER BUSINESS  
1. Board Update on Direction for FY13  
   a. Dick Dodge gave a presentation that highlighted the outcomes of the May 7th Board meeting. To view the presentation please go: http://secoora.org/news/2012annualmeeting/May8Agenda.  

2. FY 13 Budget Review  
   a. Conrad Lautenbacher gave an overview presentation of the FY13 budget. He highlighted that SECOORA had a very lean operational budget - only 15% of overall funding that SECOORA manages – the rest of goes to PI’s. There was an increase in personnel cost, but a decrease in contractor costs - this is due to the hiring of a part-time bookkeeper. There was a motion to approve the FY13 Budget by Roger Pugliese, seconded by Shirley Pomponi. The Members unanimously approved the budget.  

MEMBERS DUES DISCUSSION  
Dick Dodge presented a policy that the Board approved on the May 7th. The policy is: for the upcoming FY13 fiscal year, July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013, the SECOORA dues deadline be July 1, 2012 with a grace period until October 1, 2012. If this grace period deadline is not met and a member wishes to continue membership, reasonable hardship must be demonstrated by contacting the Executive Director and providing adequate documentation. An extension of up to 2 additional months to November 30, 2012 may be granted. If dues are not paid by the grace deadline, or by the extended deadline with demonstrated hardship, the individual ceases to be a Member in Good Standing and will not be able to participate in member-only opportunities, including as a member of the Board.  

REVIEW OF ELECTION PROCEDURES  
1. Dick Dodge reviewed the ballot.  
2. Dick Dodge reviewed the procedures for voting as articulated in the SECOORA 2012 Voting Procedure Framework document. He mentioned the members of the Nomination Sub-Committee.  

ANNUAL ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
1. Members signed in and out their ballots.  
2. Megan Treml, Megan Lee, Peter Hamilton, and Mike Heithaus tallied the votes.  
3. Debra welcomed back the following members to the SECOORA Board:  
   - Private Industry Sector:  
     - Mitch Roffer  
     - Steve Woll  
   - Academic Institution Sector:  
     - Dick Dodge  
   - Public/Nonprofit Sector:  
     - Rick DeVoe  
   - New to the Board are:  
     - NC At Large Seat: Ruoying He  
     - SC At Large Seat: George Voulgaris