

MINUTES
BOSTON HARBOR ISLANDS ADVISORY COUNCIL
SIXTH MEETING DECEMBER 3, 1998, 7:00 – 9:00 PM
NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM CONFERENCE CENTER

The sixth meeting of the Boston Harbor Islands Advisory Council was called to order by Jack Wiggin, Chair.

Seventeen of the 28 Advisory Council members were present (see attached attendance sheet).

Opening Comments

Rob Moir gave a background of the park and the management structure. The park consisting of 31 islands, was established a national recreation area by federal legislation in November of 1996. After 3 months of existence, it was agreed to change the name of the park from a recreation area to a park area. This name was to be used in all publications except for official correspondence. The park is governed by a Partnership; unusual in that the National Park Service (NPS) owns no land in the park. The Advisory Council has two voting members of the Partnership and therefore has a governing role, as well as an advisory function.

Planning Update

Barbara Mackey, NPS, gave an overview of the planning process of the draft management plan, and went over the four phases to the project. Phase I is data collection and analysis. The plan is now in Phase II, which is looking at alternatives. A preferred alternative will be chosen, based on resource use and protection. Phase III is the draft plan which is due late spring 1999. There will be a 2 month period of public comment. There will be a response to the comment and then a final plan, which is Phase IV.

Island Alliance Report

Kathy Abbott, Island Alliance gave a report. The Island Alliance is closing in on the target of raising \$500,000 this year. There are 14 members on the board now, a development director has been hired, and the organization is shifting into fund raising program development. The goal for next year is to raise \$750,000.

Interest Groups

Claudia Smith-Reid asked that the interest groups work on establishing a mission statement and priority goals. In addition, nominations for the upcoming elections should be discussed. Everyone separated into interest groups for a brainstorming session. By the end of the meeting, draft statements and goals were determined for the groups.

Closing Statements

The preferred meeting times were discussed. The March 4 meeting is an election meeting, so will be scheduled 7:00 to 9:00 PM. The next Partnership meeting is focused on the Advisory Council, it was suggested to introduce the mission statements and goals at that time. George issued an invitation to an orientation trip to Long and Moon Islands on December 11.

The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting March 4, 1999, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Boston Harbor Islands Advisory Council
December 3, 1998 Meeting
Attendance

1. Sha-King Alston	X
2. Edith Andrews	X
3. Regina, Burke	
4. David Calnan	
5. Mary Corcoran	X
6. Stephen Comer	
7. Peter Davidoff	
8. John Dinga	X
9. Bernie Dreiblatt	
10. Joe Ferrino	X
11. William D. Giezentanner	X
12. Jim Hewitt	
13. Greg Ketchen	X
14. Phil Lemnios	X
15. John Lewis	X
16. Vivien Li	X
17. Tom Lindberg	X
18. Bernice Mader	
19. Suzanne Gall Marsh	
20. Ed McCabe	X
21. Rob Moir	X
22. Sherman Morss	X
23. John Sam Sapiel	
24. Richard Clark Shaner	X
25. Claudia Smith-Reid	X
26. Lawrence Snake	
27. Marcie Tyre	
28. Jack Wiggin	X

Ex officio (municipalities)

Robert Varaitis Congressman Joseph Kennedy	
Jim Cantwell Congressman Delahunt	
Frederick Clark Congressman Joseph Moakley	
David Soule/Mark Racicot MAPC MAPC	X MR

Ex officio (Native American)

John Brown III	
Kathy Abbott	
Mary Gontaruk	X
George Price	X
Bruce Jacobson	X
Lee Ann Landers	X