



**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF
ICHTHYOLOGICAL TAXONOMISTS AND ECOLOGISTS**

02 June 2014, CMA

Attendance: Julianne Passarelli, Milinda Thompson (CMA); Fred Stern, Terra Petry, Bill Furlong (LACSD); Dario Diehl (SCCWRP); Mike Mengel (OCSD); Robin Gartman (CSD); Rick Feeney (LACM); Craig Cambell (CLA - Hyperion); Jim Rounds (Retired-CLA); Pete Major (Retired); Jonathan Williams (VRG).

Meeting Summary:

Dr. Juli Passarelli opened the meeting with announcements regarding upcoming events and SCAITE business.

1. Upcoming meetings:

Visit the SCAITE website at www.scaite.org for the latest meeting announcements.

2. Miller and Lea revision:

- The budget has been increased by \$20,000 for outsourcing of the graphic design layout. The current plan is to use the same graphic artist that Milton Love has used for his books.
- An updated Syngnathidae key will be ready for testing at the October meeting. Genetic results indicate that the Chocolate Pipefish, Kelp Pipefish, Bay Pipefish, and Barcheek Pipefish are genetically identical. A paper revealing these results will be published later this year.

The remainder of the meeting was dedicated to validating the existing Embiotocidae key and the newly developed Certiidae, Himantolophidae, Oneirodidae, and Melanocetidae combined key. All specimens were available for review. Any recommendations regarding the keys will be submitted to Juli and she'll forward them to the person whom made the key. Fred and Terra have agreed to attempt the reorganize the Embiotocidae key.