



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF ICHTHYOLOGICAL TAXONOMISTS AND ECOLOGISTS

16 May 2016, CMA

Attendance: Julianne Passarelli (CMA); Bill Power, Terra Petry (LACSD); Robin Gartman (CSD); Craig Cambell (CLA); Jim Rounds (Retired-CLA); Rick Feeney (NHMLAC); Jim Mann (ABC Labs); Danny Heilprin (Tenera Env); Mike Mengel (OCSD); Dario Diehl (SCCWRP); Pete Major (Retired); Amanda Van Diggelen (DFW).

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. SCAITE as a non-profit organization:

Bill Power will look into the logistics of what it would entail for SCAITE to become a non-profit organization.

3. Miller and Lea revision:

Juli indicated we will be reviewing the last of the individual family keys today and will begin validating the Key to the Families located in the front of Miller and Lea at the June meeting. A very reasonable quote was received for the printing of the book (DMP Printing). Additional funding sources have donated and will be acknowledged within the Miller and Lea book. Ideas are being explored for book distribution. The book purchase cost will be approximately \$20 - \$25.

The remainder of the meeting was dedicated to validating the newly revised Stichaeidae (Pricklebacks) key and newly created Tetraodontidae, Balistidae, Diodontidae, and Ostraciidae (Puffers, Triggerfishes, Porcupinefishes, and Boxfishes (Order Tetraodontiformes)) key. All specimens were available for review. Any recommendations regarding the keys were submitted to Juli and she'll be forwarding them to the person whom created the key.