**Crab Task Force Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 20, 2016**

**UNO Advanced Technology Center**

**2021 Lakeshore Drive, STE 210**

**New Orleans, LA 70122**

**Voting members present:**

Eric Blanchard

Chalin Delaune

LaQuita Meek

Trudy Luke

Pete Gerica

James Bergeron

Warren Delacroix

Rodney Parfait

**Voting Members Absent:**

Paul Alfonso

Kim Alfonso

**Non-Voting Members Present:**

Dr. Julie Anderson

Mark Schexnayder

Capt. Chad Hebert

Melissa Daigle

**Non-Voting Members Absent:**

Jack Isaacs

Motion to approve June 8, 2016 minutes by James Bergeron, 2nd by Eric Blanchard. Motion carries

Motion to approve September 20, 2016 agenda by Rodney Parfait, 2nd by Eric Blanchard. Motion carries.

Motion to approve the financial report by Rodney Parfait, 2nd by Eric Blanchard. Motion carries.

Mark Schexnayder updated the TF on seasonal closures and derelict crab trap closures

Trudy Luke addressed the TF with recreational crab limits and regulations

Trudy Luke made a motion to request recommendations from LDWF on recreational size and count limits by the next meeting, 2nd by Eric Blanchard. Motion carries.

Zack Darnell provided the TF with an update on the Blue Crab Mark-Recapture Study

Eric Blanchard made a motion to write a letter in support of the recapture study, 2nd by James Bergeron. Motion passes.

Gary Bauer addressed the TF on the MSC certification

Chalin Delaune made a motion to support the crab fisheries renewing the MSC certification, 2nd by LaQuita Meek. Motion passes.

**Public Comment:**

Pete Gerica addressed the TF on opening license sales in New Orleans proper.

Next meeting set for Tuesday, December 13, 2016

Motion to adjourn by Rodney Parfait, 2nd by Eric Blanchard. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 2:26 pm