

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF SAUSAL CREEK
A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION
JANUARY 12, 2005

Board Members Present:

Linda Morse, President
Eric Havel, Acting Vice President
Diana Surber, Treasurer
Sheelah Weaver, Acting Secretary
Eleanor Dunn
Mark Rauzon
Michael Thilgen

Also in Attendance: Alisa Shor, Operations Manager, Kristen Hopper, Field Coordinator, and Joan Chaplick, Consultant.

Educator on Loan Agreement—Language in the waiver for docents will be changed to remove indemnification. Admin committee recommends that FOSC hire an intern to document the environmental education curriculum so that all material is compiled and can be made available to funders.

Action: Board unanimously agrees to commit up to \$500 for an intern to document the education program with Sue.

Elections—Elections will be held at the February Board meeting. The Board will vote on a slate of candidates. As of now, officer candidates include: Sheelah Weaver, Interim President, and Eric Havel, Interim Vice President.

DWR Grant—City of Oakland is pursuing large grant and has asked FOSC to become a community partner. Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District has already signed on as a partner. The grant proposal suggests creating a new restoration site at Wellington in Dimond Park. The grant would fund activities that FOSC already engages in. Some concerns about becoming involved with the project include the existence of a feeding station for a feral cat colony at Wellington, and prioritization of FOSC resources. Questions were raised about what agency would maintain the site in perpetuity. It is suggested that FOSC outline some terms, draft a budget, and attend a meeting with representatives from the City to discuss the grant in more detail.

Motion: Board authorizes Linda, Kristen, and Michael to attend meeting, investigate issues, and determine if FOSC will commit to becoming a community partner.

Herbicide Task Force Meeting—Resolution to allow the limited use of herbicides on limited plant species by certified applicators is in discussion. There will be a public meeting on Jan 26th with expert panelists from nearby land management agencies. The resolution will be put to a City Council vote soon thereafter.

Letter to CSSC Board Regarding Pallid Manzanita—Letter drafted by the Restoration Committee has been delivered to Alex Barnett, Executive Director of CSSC. The letter was well received, and Alex has asked for estimates on the cost of a habitat conservation plan so that the matter can be discussed by the Chabot Board.