

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
OF
THE FRIENDS OF SAUSAL CREEK
A CALIFORNIA (NONPROFIT PENDING) PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION
MAY 8, 2002

A regular meeting of the Directors was held on May 8 2002, at 7 p.m. at Chabot Space and Science Center, Oakland, California for the purpose of transacting all proper business of the corporation.

There were present, representing a quorum of the Board:

NAME	ADDRESS (<i>REMOVED FOR WEB USE</i>)
Anne Hayes, President	
Sally Kilburg, Vice-president	
Martha Lowe, Secretary	
Charlotte Bell	
Kristin Hathaway	
Ralph Kanz	
Mark Lane	
Linda Morse	
Mark Rauzon	
Michael Thilgen	

And there were absent:

Sam Cohen
Eleanor Dunn, Treasurer (interim)
Stuart Richardson

Jennifer Stanley, FOSC website designer was also present.

Anne Hayes, President, acted as Chairperson, and Martha Lowe, Secretary, acted as Secretary of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on April 10, 2002, having been distributed electronically prior to the April meeting, were approved with minor changes pending.

On motion duly made and carried by the affirmative vote of the majority of Directors present at the meeting, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED that a Personnel Committee, made up of Anne Hayes, Sally Kilburg, Mark Rauzon, and Michal Thilgen is authorized to hire a new administrative coordinator for the

Friends of Sausal Creek. The Committee must inform the Board before entering into any contract with such person.

Discussions were carried out on the following subjects:

FOSC Administrative Coordinator:

Anne Hayes informed the Board of Halima O'Neil's unexpected resignation, effective immediately, from the position of FOSC administrative coordinator. Anne also informed the Board that she had approached Monica Stafford about taking on the added duties of coordinator and spoken with Charlotte Bell as well. Monica was interested in the position through the end of August and Charlotte was interested in taking on both the administrative coordinator position, as well as the workday coordinator position after Monica leaves at the end of August. The general consensus of the Board was that we should fill the administrative coordinator position for a longer term. A Personnel Committee was formed to pursue the matter and a resolution passed giving the Committee authority to hire a new coordinator.

FOSC Finances:

FOSC has \$23,089 in the bank, in addition to \$25,000 from Alameda County. The organization owes about \$5,500. Which leaves approximately \$19,000 from the County to be spent before August 30.

Oyster Monitoring Update:

Charlotte Bell reminded Board members that this is a Save the Bay project that has not gained much participation from FOSC members. Charlotte wanted to know if the Board felt we should continue to participate in this program. The consensus was to continue to monitor once a month and to try and recruit new, regular participants but that FOSC's role should be clearly defined and that the organization should only commit to the program for a finite time period. It was also felt that we should ask for more support from Save the Bay in terms of labor and money.

Educating the Oakland Planning Commission:

Sally Kilburg is concerned that changes have been proposed to the City's Creek Ordinance that would send appeals on decisions made under the ordinance to the Planning Commission. She feels that the members of this body have no understanding of creek issues and would like to mount an education campaign to enlighten them on the issues. The Board discussed writing a letter to Jerry Brown and further education and outreach to the commission.

Status of National Conservation Corps and Joaquin Miller Park Nursery:

It turns out that the NCC volunteering at the JMP Nursery this summer is not a sure deal at all. Their program ends July 30 and they require that local lodging be provided by the hosting organization. The Board discussed a variety of options. One problem that was raised was that grading needs to be completed before the NCC could come in. One option raised was the idea of renting a trencher and having Eagle Scouts or a similar group lay the irrigation system. Sally will investigate options further.

Barry Place:

A concept proposal for a restoration project on Sausal Creek at Barry Place was submitted to CALFed in February and FOSC was invited to submit a full proposal. The proposal is due in four weeks. The Board consensus was, given the short time frame, we did not have the capacity at present to pull a full proposal together. However, the project does speak to some of FOSC's priorities and the group can use the concept to begin building real support in the neighborhood by starting with smaller projects.

July and August General Meetings:

It was proposed that the organization not hold general meetings in July and August, which are traditionally lightly attended. The idea will be brought up at the June general meeting.

A special meeting of the Board was called for May 13th to deal with the fund raising issue.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned on motion duly made and carried.

Martha E. Lowe, Secretary