

FRESNO'S CHAFFEE ZOO CORPORATION
General Meeting of the Board of Directors
Fresno Chaffee Zoo Education Building
June 11, 2009 5:30pm

Present	Absent	Public	Staff
Colin Dougherty			Scott Barton
Sieg Fisher			Adrienne Castro
Sharon Levy			Brian Goldman
Sheri Manning-Cartwright			Terri Mejorado
George Nokes			Andy Snider
Tom Richards			
Shari Rainwater			
Tom Templeton			
Marie Slater			
John Valentino			

Discuss and consider minutes: Director Templeton made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Director Rainwater seconded. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Dirk Poeschel Report: No report.

Chair Report: Director Dougherty stated there would not be a report from Dirk Poeschel and the closed session has been cancelled. Director Dougherty stated the EIR Committee had been hard at work finalizing the Environmental Impact Report. EIR Committee member Director Richards stated that the document should be ready soon. Director Templeton 401 (k) and Finance Committee Chair stated these committees have met and will have further meetings regarding investments. Director Dougherty suggested a list showing the next 10 steps. Director Dougherty asked CEO Barton to look into purchasing video equipment to document all the progress as the zoo projects move forward. Director Dougherty asked Interim Marketing and Development Director, Terri Mejorado to report on the recent events at the zoo. Ms. Mejorado stated Dreamnight doubled attendance this year. Ms. Mejorado stated that in July there will be an event to thank past zoo donors and sponsors and to introduce the new CEO/Zoo Director to the community. Director Dougherty asked Animal Care Director Andy Snider about any new animals. Mr. Snider stated there were red-ruffed lemur babies and animal presentations to the public featuring the tamandua and coendu (porcupine species). Director Dougherty asked Education Director, Adrienne Castro about zoo camp. Ms. Castro stated zoo camp enrollment was up and the education department was looking forward to putting the new zoomobile van to good use.

CEO Report: CEO Barton stated during the EIR process the Architectural/Master Plan Review committee has met and will have further meetings to discuss the first projects. CEO Barton stated the committee will keep in line with the spirit of the Measure "Z" intent to bring back some of the large animals. CEO Barton stated he will be looking at ways to make improvements while concentrating on minimizing the impact to zoo visitors. CEO Barton stated the first projects will include an expanded sea lion exhibit with underwater viewing, a new café and a children's area. CEO Barton complimented the staff on the success of the Dreamnight event.

Report by Director of Finance and Administration: Mr. Goldman reviewed the financial statement with the board.

Public Comment. This time is set-aside for the public to comment on any item within the jurisdiction of the Board, but not appearing on the agenda. Items presented under public comment may not be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. For items appearing on the agenda, the public is invited to comment at the time the item is called for consideration by the Board. Any person addressing the Board under public comment will be limited to a 3-minute presentation to insure that all interested parties have an opportunity to speak. **Please state your name and address for the record:** None Offered.

Board questions and comments: Director Fisher inquired about a timeline concerning these first projects. CEO Barton stated he would have an approximate timeline for the board's review. Director Richards stated that it could be possible to have cameras staged in various locations around the zoo to record the zoo projects progress. Director Nokes stated the changes in the gift shop have been positive. Director Richards stated that the nominating committee will be meeting soon.

Adjourned: 5:56 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Condoian, Assistant Board Secretary
Fresno Chaffee Zoo Corporation