



General Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Fresno Chaffee Zoo Education Building  
September 08, 2011 5:35pm

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>Board Members Absent</u>	<u>Public Present</u>	<u>Staff Present</u>
Sharon Levy	Colin Dougherty	<b>Jeff Ault</b>	Scott Barton
Brenda Nelson	Sieg Fisher	Wells Fargo	Adrienne Castro
George Nokes	Sheri Manning-Cartwright		Lisa Condoian
Shari Rainwater	Tom Richards		Harold Mountain
Craig Saladino	Tom Templeton		Andy Snider
John Valentino			Dr. Lewis Wright

**Meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m.**

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

**Chair Report:** Director Levy acted as Board Chair in Director Dougherty's absence.

**Check Presentation:** Wells Fargo representative Jeff Ault presented CEO Barton and the Board of Directors in attendance with a \$20,000 sponsorship check for the zoo event, Safari Night, to be held on Friday, September 23, 2011. Mr. Ault stated the zoo and Wells Fargo have a great partnership with the ongoing Wells Fargo Wednesdays and the Safari Night sponsorship.

**CEO Report:** CEO Barton stated Sea Lion Cove construction has been very exciting. CEO Barton stated the Sea Lion Cove exhibit groundbreaking ceremony was held on September 7, 2011. CEO Barton stated the staff will have a 2-day workshop with Portico on the Africa expansion. CEO Barton reviewed the next phases of building projects with the board which included the Reptile Building, Children's Adventure Area and Zoo utilities. These will be presented to the Zoo Tax Authority board. CEO Barton stated zoo attendance continues to be strong. CEO Barton stated the zoo event that partners with Univision, Dia de la Familia, was very successful with attendance over 6,300. CEO Barton stated upcoming zoo events are: Dino Night (the first partnership with Valley PBS) is on Saturday, September 10 and Safari Night is on Friday, September 23.

**Program Presentation:** CEO Barton gave a power point presentation on financial support sources comparison with other zoos and Fresno Chaffee Zoo funding in relation to building projects through 2015, keeping in line with the language of Measure Z.

**Financial Report:** CFO Goldman reviewed the financial report with the board.

**Committee Reports:** None.

**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:** Joan LeRoux asked how many gallons the Sea Lion Pool would hold. CEO Barton stated per the engineer 201,000 gallons. Ms. LeRoux stated the funding for the zoo was to be used in the zoo, Measure Z money is not for Roeding Park. CEO Barton stated the Zoo Tax Authority is very meticulous in reviewing how Measure Z money is spent and this presentation is a proposal and subject to adjustments.

**Board questions and comments:** Director Nokes complimented the zoo staff on how well the groundbreaking ceremony went. Director Saladino asked if the children's area would accommodate children with special needs. CEO Barton stated he is looking forward to working with those groups who specialize in children's special needs. Director Saladino stated the Fansler Foundation has done great work in that area.

**Adjournment:** Director Levy called for a motion to adjourn. Director Nokes so moved and Director Rainwater seconded. All in favor. None opposed. Adjournment at 6:30pm.

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