

## **FOSC BOARD MEETING MINUTES: 2-13-13**

### **Park Boulevard Presbyterian Church**

Board Members present: Bob Roat, Mark Rauzon, Richelle Jacobs, Harry Schrauth, Rob Leidy, Helen McKinley, Sean Welch, Richard Kauffman, Eleanor Dunn, Paul Frank  
Staff Present: Kimra McAfee, Executive Director  
Board Members not present: Barbara Goldenberg, Carl Kohnert  
Guests: Brenna Blessing, Steve Ritchie

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#### **~ CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

#### **~ APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 12-12-12**

Minutes were approved unanimously with minor edits.

#### **~ COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a) Fundraising/Endowment: Richard reported on the Committee's discussion with Greg Lasonde on strategies for increasing the giving levels among FOSC donors. He will make a formal presentation at the next board meeting. He and Greg are working on a "case statement" document -- a charter for the endowment campaign. This document would say who we are, describe what we do, could be employed in discussions with individual donors, or used in other fundraising efforts.

b) Nursery: Kimra passed a form around to reaffirm who is on which committee. The Nursery Committee will have a spring meeting.

c) Restoration: Kimra reported that there were ten participants in Saturday's crew meeting, but no Board Member participation. There will be a meeting on May 11 re invasives removal. Megan will start a Google group for crew leader training. She wants to restart hydro hikes, storm drain committees, and develop restoration plans for sites wanting the plans. At this point, Megan is our de facto Restoration Chair. Sean encouraged Board Member participation. Paul stated he intends to participate more and can report out at the Board meetings. Monterey Redwoods, in particular, is of interest.

#### **~ SPECIAL REPORTS**

a) Pallid Manzanita Subcommittee: We needed a separate research permit because the existing one includes Chabot. We now have a research permit for FOSC alone. Mark reported that two pallid manzanitas have been planted in the demonstration

garden in Dimond Park. We will be giving two to OMCA, and they will assume the ongoing care for them. Also, re Chabot Space Center campus: Kimra plans to meet and coordinate with Regional Wildlife on the tree removal and permitting. We have a permit to collect seed from Huckleberry.

b) Creek Walk and Garbage Clean Up: Rob reported we'll be done with the one-year water monitoring next week. We need to be in the leadership role doing garbage clean up at the creek. He proposed every two months or so -- having a group walk the creek and doing clean up. Kimra said that Megan also suggested cleaning up Barry Place. Rob envisions a regular or floating time on a weekend, with a group meeting in Dimond Park. Additionally, there is a lot of asphalt in the creek, which must be removed as it leeches important elements out of the water. Rob asked for a Board volunteer to lead these clean ups. Ricky would want to be a part of a clean up group before volunteering as leader; Helen would like to participate but not be leader; Eleanor urged that this group do its clean up on a different day than Dimond Park clean ups are scheduled, which is usually on Saturdays. (Insect monitoring and Bridgeview Trail clean up is usually on Sundays.) So we're looking at the second Saturday, or the third or fourth Sunday, and including Barry Place. Specific days will be established via email. Rotating leaders rather than one specific leader was suggested, with clean ups occurring four to six times per year.

#### ~ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a) End of Year Appeal Update: Kimra reported total amount of end-of-year appeal donations. In addition, \$1000 was received from the Grace Jones Richardson Trust.

b) Project Timeline and Cash Flow Chart: Cash flow and pending grants were reviewed.

c) Prop 84 Urban Streams Restoration Program Grant Resolution: A clerical error was made in 2008, so we created a new resolution rescinding the part with the typographical error. Sean worded the amendment, as per the attachment to these minutes.

d) We are in discussions with *Friends of Five Creeks* regarding partnering on an environmental education talks series as the *Close to Home* series ends.

~ Earth Day Sign-Up Sheet: Earth Day is April 20. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

#### ~ PRESIDENT'S REPORT: No report.

Paul brought up again his idea about tee-shirts as a way to indicate who are Board Members at various events. He wondered if this could be done in time for Earth Day. Paul said he will get an email dialogue going.

~ **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Steve Ritchie has been working on water issues for many years and has an interest in Sausal Creek. Paul has encouraged him to consider becoming a Board member.

Brenna Blessing was a student volunteer for FOSC since high school. She just graduated from UCSC in environmental studies and biology. She grew up in the watershed.

~ **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

(Attachment is on following page.)

***ATTACHMENT #1***

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- **Resolution 2013-1**
- Board Meeting Action February 13, 2013
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- Resolution correcting typographical error in Resolution No. 2008-3.
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- WHEREAS, in adopting Resolution No. 2008-3, approving the application for grant funds under the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) on November 12, 2008, a typographical error was made in the title of said resolution, inaccurately referring to the grant program as the “California River Pathways Grant Program”;
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- WHEREAS, the correct grant program was, and is, the “Urban Streams Restoration Grant Program”;
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- WHEREAS, the intent of the Board of Directors of the Friends of Sausal Creek was to approve the application for funds under the Urban Streams Restoration Grant Program, and the Board desires to correct the typographical error.
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- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Friends of Sausal Creek as follows:
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- 1. The title of Resolution 2008-3 shall be amended to read:
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- RESOLUTION FROM THE FRIENDS OF SAUSAL CREEK,  
APPROVING THE  
APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN  
STREAMS RESTORATION  
GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER,  
WATER QUALITY  
AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL  
PROTECTION BOND  
ACT OF 2006 (Proposition 84)
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- 2. In all other respects Resolution 2008-3 is affirmed without change.
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- Approved and adopted the 13th day of February, 2013. I, the undersigned, hereby certify that
- the foregoing Resolution Number 2013-1 was duly adopted by the Board of the Friends of
- Sausal Creek.

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- Following Roll Call Vote:
- Ayes: 10
- Nays: 0
- Absent: 2
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- Richelle Jacobs, Secretary