

**Friends of Sausal Creek Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, June 10, 2015, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m
Park Blvd. Presbyterian Church,
4101 Park Blvd., 3rd Floor, Oakland**

Our mission is to promote awareness and appreciation of the Sausal Creek Watershed and to inspire action that will help preserve and protect the creek and its watershed as both natural and community resources.

Present: Richelle Jacobs, Harry Schrauth, Barbara Goldenberg, Richard Kauffman, Sean Welch, Paul Frank, Bob Roat, Helen McKinley, Eleanor Dunn, Carl Kohnert

Absent: Steve Ritchie, Rob Leidy, Dee Rosario, Mark Rauzon

Staff Members Present: Kimra McAfee, Executive Director

**7:11 REMARKS FROM KIMRA,
WHO PRESIDED IN STEVE'S ABSENCE**

Kimra called the Board's attention to upcoming events and encouraged everyone to participate:

- a) **Pallid Manzanita Workday** -- With Chabot Space and Science Center Board of Directors on Sat., July 11, 9:00 a.m.- Noon
- b) **July Meet & Greet Potluck** – Wood Park monthly workday on Sat., July 18, 10 a.m.-noon; potluck to follow at noon
- c) **Trail Stewardship Crew** – Sun., June 28, and Sun., July 26, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

**7:22 BOARD MEMBER BRIEFING:
RICHARD KAUFFMAN ON *EAST BAY GIVES* WRAP-UP**

Richard gave detailed information about successful and not-so-successful strategies employed for the May 5th *East Bay Gives* fundraiser. It was a very successful mid-year appeal. Board Members brainstormed about how to iron out the wrinkles for next year's *East Bay Gives* event.

7:39 20th ANNIVERSARY EVENT

Although no one but Kimra from this committee was present at the meeting, the board tossed around ideas about a) what this event should represent (fun? fundraiser? outreach? education?); b) what it should be comprised of; c) where it should be held. Richard reminded us that time is getting short -- we must start making decisions soon. Kimra said she would share a Google Document with the board to get the ball rolling more efficiently.

8:05 RIVER PARKWAYS GRANT OPPORTUNITY

Kimra reported on this grant opportunity, which could be useful for the bridge at Fern Ravine. It's due on September 1st, and will take a lot of her time, so it needs to be something FOSC already wants to do.

8:14 COMMITMENTS REVIEW, MINUTES, and LEGACY PLANNING

Kimra passed around *For the Future* commitment forms to those who haven't yet committed, and asked remaining board members please to turn in any outstanding forms.

Minutes from the April 8th meeting were unanimously approved.

There was a discussion about Legacy Planning and its tax advantages to participants. Making Legacy Planning available for FOSC devotees is in the works.

8:19 PAID SICK LEAVE POLICY REVIEW

A state and city-conforming sick leave policy for FOSC employees was unanimously adopted.

8:22 ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

With Carl and Helen's terms on this committee about to expire, Carl and Steve were voted in for next term.

8:23 FINANCIAL REPORT

Kimra reported on the *East Bay Gives* fundraiser and the Jiji

Foundation grant. She examined with the board various project timelines, cash flow, statements of position, and the budget for the fiscal year, as well as explaining details of a Statement of Activities hand out.

Kimra reported also on staff hours and salary. The board unanimously approved changes in those hours and salaries, and adopted the budget for July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016. Kimra noted that no costs for the 20th anniversary festivities were included in the budget, as they are yet to be determined.

**8:40 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RESPONDS
TO QUESTIONS ON STAFF REPORT**

Kimra addressed miscellaneous issues of interest, including a letter to Chabot about pallid manzanitas, gravel replenishment at the nursery, insurance for the nursery, and FOSC support for the children's book, *I Am Sausal Creek*.

**9:07 ROUND ROBIN/REFLECTIONS
FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Harry reported that PRAC has approved the plant sale on October 25th, as well as Stan Dodson's trail markers.

9:10 ADJOURNMENT

