RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
Minutes of the Joint Zoo Committee Meeting
May 26, 2011
San Francisco Zoo
5:00 p.m.

Roll Call:
San Francisco Zoological Society (SFZS) Board Member, Maria Alvarez, Chair
San Francisco Zoological Society (SFZS) Board Member, Bill Beech
San Francisco Zoological Society (SFZS) Board Member, Elena Asturias
Recreation and Park Commissioner, Mark Buell
Recreation and Park Commissioner, Larry Martin
Committee Advisor, Sally Stephens
Committee Advisor, Joseph Spinelli

1. Joint Zoo Committee Meeting Minutes (Action Item) ACTION: MSA
   Adoption of Minutes of the April 28, 2011 Committee Meeting.

2. San Francisco Zoo Director’s Report (Discussion)
   Tanya Peterson, Executive Director & President, SFZS

   Director Peterson reported that May attendance to date is 59,283, which is slightly below projections of 60,320. Actual admissions revenue, however, for the month is $358,600 and over budget by $30,000 or 9.1%. For the upcoming Memorial Weekend, visitors who wear an animal print will receive $1.00 off admission, and members will receive free carousel rides. As well as having two animals named after San Francisco Giants team members Tim Lincecum (howler monkey) and Brian Wilson (hippo), the SF Giants will host “San Francisco Zoo” Day at AT&T Park on Sunday, June 5. The first 10,000 children to enter the gates will receive a free animal-themed wristband for free admission with a paying adult to the Zoo. Peterson then extended appreciation to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for the loan of a fully mounted skeleton of a California sea lion, which is on display in the South American Tropical Building. Lastly, Peterson reported that “Martha”, the Siberian tiger acquired from Omaha’s Henry Doorly Zoo, would be landing at the Oakland airport that evening.

3. Animal Transactions. (Action Item) ACTION: MSA
   David Bocian, VP of Animal Care & Enrichment, SFZS

   SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
   ANIMAL TRANSACTION RATIFICATION - May 2011

   DONATION TO:                      PRICE       TOTAL DUE

   Fort Wayne Children's Zoo          1.1 Black storks
   3411 Sherman Blvd
   Fort Wayne, IN 46808
   260/427-6806
   260/427-6820 fax

   Ciconia nigra
DONATION FROM:

San Antonio Zoological Gardens & Aquarium
3903 N. St. Mary’s Street
San Antonio, TX 78212
210/734-7184 x1330

0.1 Nine-banded armadillo
*Dasypus novemcinctus*
NIL N/A

Central Florida Zoo
3755 NW Hwy 17-92
I-4 Exit 104
Sanford, FL 32771
407/323-4450 x140

0.2 Coati
*Nasua nasua*
NIL N/A

National Zoological Park
PO Box 37012, MRC 5507
Washington, DC 20013-7012
202/633-3190

1.0 Madagascar tenrec
*Setifer setosus*
NIL N/A

Lowry Park Zoo
1101 West Sligh Ave
Tampa, Florida 33604
Phone: (813)935-8552 ext. 221
Fax: (813)930-2331

1.0 Patas monkey
*Erythrocebus patas*
NIL N/A

PURCHASE FROM:

Los Angeles Zoo
5333 Zoo Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90027
323/644-4745

1.0 Lady Ross’s turaco
*Musophaga rossae*
$800 $800

Committee member Beech asked what kind of animal is a “tenrec”. Mr. Bocian answered that it is a hedgehog. Member of the public, Tony Colonese, stated that the tenrec is an exciting animal.

4. Animal Updates. (Discussion)
David Bocian, VP Animal Care & Enrichment, SFZS

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Committee Advisor Stephens asked if the giraffe was sent as an SSP for breeding. Mr. Bocian explained the SF Zoo did not want this particular giraffe to breed here with her father, who is currently at the SF Zoo.

5. **Sea Lion Update** (Information only)
   David Bocian, VP Animal Care & Enrichment, SFZS
   Mr. Bocian presented an update on the acquisition and acclimation of sea lions from TMMC.

   Committee Advisor Spinelli stated that before the start of the meeting, he was able to view the exhibit and was pleased to see the sea lions in it and hope this will be a permanent situation. He stated that they seem to be comfortable in their new environment and the training techniques being employed are working well.

6. **Announcements** (Information only)
   No announcements.

7. **Chair’s Announcements.** (Information only)
   Committee Chair Alvarez offered congratulations to Commissioner Arata on the recent birth of her child.

8. **Old Business.** (Discussion)

9. **New Business/Future Agenda Items.** (Information only)
   Committee Advisor Spinelli asked if the Chief Veterinarian report will be on the agenda soon. Committee Clerk stated that the bi-annual report is on the agenda for next month. Spinelli also asked if an update on long-range planning and a presentation on environmental enrichment could be future agenda items. Advisor Stephens stated that tours of the Zoo are helpful to the committee and requested that one be scheduled sometime after the arrival of the tiger.

10. **Public Comments:** Members of the public may address the committee on matters that are within the committee’s jurisdiction and are not on today’s agenda.

11. **Adjournment.**
    Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.