

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 3411 Sherman Blvd Fort Wayne, IN 46808 260/427-6806 260/427-6820 fax	1.1 Black storks <i>Ciconia nigra</i>	NIL	N/A

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 <u><i>Dasypus novemcinctus</i></u>	NIL	N/A
Central Florida Zoo 3755 NW Hwy 17-92 I-4 Exit 104 Sanford, FL 32771 407/323-4450 x140	0.2 Coatimundi <u><i>Nasua nasua</i></u>	NIL	N/A
National Zoological Park PO Box 37012, MRC 5507 Washington, DC 20013-7012 202/633-3190	1.0 Madagascar tenrec <u><i>Setifer setosus</i></u>	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 <u><i>Erythrocebus patas</i></u>	NIL	N/A

PURCHASE FROM:

Los Angeles Zoo 5333 Zoo Drive Los Angeles, CA 90027 323/644-4745	1.0 Lady Ross's turaco <u><i>Musophaga rossae</i></u>	\$800	\$800
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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

ANIMAL UPDATES – APRIL 2011					
DATE	SEX	ANIMALS	TRANSACTION		COMMENTS
		ACQUISITIONS			
5	0.1	Domestic guinea pig	Donation		Private donor
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7	1.0	Domestic guinea pig	Donation		Animal Care and Control
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13	0.0.0	European rabbit	Donation		Private donor
		DISPOSITION		Age at Death	

6	1.0	Domestic polecat	Death	3Y 11M,5D	Pending
9	1.0	Patas monkey	Death	26Y 5M 4D	Pending
14	1.0	Domestic guinea pig	Death	1Y, 6M, 6D	Pending
14	1.0	Emperor tamarin	Donation		Montgomery Zoo
16	0.1	Peach-faced lovebird	Death	12Y 5M 2D	Pending
18	0.1	Reticulated giraffe	Loan		Albuquerque Zoo
21	0.1	European rabbit	Death	11Y 0M,25D	Pending
21	0.1	Patas monkey	Death	33Y	Pending
23	0.1	Superb starling	Death	1Y 10M,25D	Pending
26	1.0	European rabbit	Death	6Y, 3M, 23D	Pending

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 acclamation 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 5:45p.m.