

**CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
JOINT ZOO COMMITTEE
July 20, 2017 9:00 am.
City Hall, Room 421
San Francisco, CA 94102**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Recreation & Park Commissioners Mark Buell, Kat Anderson, Larry Mazzola, Jr. (alternates: Tom Harrison and Gloria Bonilla) and SF Zoological Society Board Members Maria Alvarez, Elena Asturias and Dexter Lowry (alternates: Vince Grubbs and Tanya Peterson). Committee Advisors: Dr. Joseph Spinelli (DVM) and Ms. Jane Tobin.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public comment will be taken before the committee takes action on any item.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

Recreation & Park Commissioners Mark Buell, Kat Anderson, and SF Zoological Society Board Members Maria Alvarez and Dexter Lowry. Committee Advisor Jane Tobin.

2. Adoption of Minutes, as Amended.

ACTION: MSA

Member of the Public Richard Rothman requested amendment to minutes regarding meetings about Mother's Building.

3. San Francisco Zoo Administrative Report.

(Discussion)

Steven Haines, VP of Strategic Growth & Marketing, SFZS

Mr. Haines gave an update on administrative affairs at the Zoo, first reporting on visitor attendance for the month of June 2017, which is 90,305 versus the budget of 96,000, or under budget by 5,695 visitors. Year-end attendance through June 30, 2017 is 894,379 versus a budget of 910,000, generating an unfavorable variance of 15,621 visitors. Mr. Haines discussed the Zoo Hospital and Koret Animal Resource Center's teamwork to train the Harris hawk to be examined by staff restraint-free as part of the Zoo's "Integrated Health" initiative. He reported on a collaboration between maintenance and animal care staff to create a special ramp to encourage reluctant WalkAbout animals to hop up to the scale to be weighed. Mr. Haines discussed the recent participation by several staff members in the National Network for Ocean and Climate Change Interpretation, who have now completed the training program and will help to interpret climate change information for Zoo visitors. He announced that the third week in July is National Zookeeper Week and a special luncheon had taken place for animal care staff. Mr. Haines reminded all that the Tarantula exhibit would be open through Labor Day and that a celebration of invertebrates would take place at a Bug Fair on August 12th. Additional upcoming events include the annual "March of the Penguins" on July 29th and "Wild Cat Weekend" on August 5 – 6th, which will include the popular "Big Cat Breakfast".

4. Animal Transactions.

ACTION: MSA

David Bocian, VP of Animal Care & Enrichment, SFZS

Discussion and possible action to recommend that the Recreation and Park Commission approve the following transactions:

SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTION RATIFICATION – July 2017

DONATION TO	ANIMAL SPECIES	PRICE	TOTAL DUE
Dickerson Park Zoo 3043 North Fort Springfield, MO 65803 417/833-1570	0.1 Plumed basilisk <u>Basiliscus plumifrons</u>	NIL	N/A
Alexandria Zoological Park 3016 Masonic Drive Alexandria, LA 71301 318/441-6835	1.0 Hooded merganser <u>Lophodytes cucullatus</u>	NIL	N/A
DONATION FROM			
Jacksonville Zoo 370 Zoo Parkway Jacksonville, FL 32218 904/757-4463 x138	2.1 Scarlet ibis <u>Eudocimus albus</u>	NIL	N/A
Alaska Zoo 4731 O'Malley Road Anchorage, AK 99507 907/341-6421	1.1 Black bears <u>Ursus americanus</u>	NIL	N/A
Matt Person 1160 Hanson Ave SW Palm Bay, FL 32908 321/394-5878	1.0 Black-tailed prairie dog <u>Cynomys ludovicianus</u>	NIL	N/A

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- 5. Animal Updates – June, 2017** (Discussion)
David Bocian, VP Animal Care & Enrichment, SFZS
Mr. Bocian provided an update on animal transactions and dispositions.

DATE	SEX	ANIMALS	TRANSACTION	COMMENTS	LONGEVITY
ACQUISITIONS					
7	3.0	Henkel's leaf-tailed geckos	Donation	from Riverbanks Zoo	
8	0.1	San Francisco gartersnake	Loan	in from USFWS/CDFW	
DISPOSITION					
				Age at Death	
4	0.1	Domestic guinea pig	Death	4Y, 5M, 3D Acute hindleg paralysis, suspect blood clot or arterial constriction. Histopathology pending.	N/A
20	1.0	Reticulated giraffe	Donation	to San Diego Zoo Safari Park	
25	0.1	Chilean flamingo	Death	~36Y, 3M, 10D Severe arthritis of both stifles and tarsal joints. Otherwise appeared healthy on gross exam. Histopathology pending.	27.8 Y
26	1.0	Green jay	Death	~5Y, 11D Some bruising over chest and thighs. Histopathology pending.	N/A

6. **Wellness & Conservation Projects Presentation** (Discussion)
Dr. Jason Watters, Ph.D. Vice President of Wellness & Animal Behavior, SFZS
Dr. Watters gave a presentation on recent efforts in both Conservation and Wellness at the Zoo. He discussed partnerships to help yellow-legged frogs in both Sequoia / Kings Canyon National Park and Plumas National Forest. He also discussed partnerships with the Presidio and Golden Gate National Recreation Area to headstart western pond turtles and San Francisco forktail damselflies. Additionally, he mentioned ongoing work in Yosemite National Park with California red-legged frogs and Yosemite toads. Dr. Watters then discussed the success of a crowdfunding project, which designed and built an interactive feeder for black rhino Boone. There was a recent event to honor donors of the crowdfunding project and give them an opportunity to see the “Foobler” in action.
7. **Announcements.** (Information only)
8. **Chair’s Announcements.** (Information only)
9. **Old Business.** (Discussion)
10. **New Business/Future Agenda Items.** (Information only)
11. **Public Comments:**
Member of the public Richard Rothman reported that the recently installed heater in the Mother’s Building was working well and that construction would begin in September to stabilize the murals. He reported that he had met recently with Ashley Summers from Supervisor Tang’s office as well as Zoo Staff Members Joe Fitting and Eric Maul to discuss the future of the Mother’s Building and its potential uses. Rothman hoped to tour representatives from Assembly member Phil Ting and Supervisor Katy Tang’s offices in the fall.
12. **Adjournment 9:38 am**

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