

Save Our Trails!



Promoting trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all

Minutes

Board Meeting

Monday, April 21, 2014

Caffe Frascati

315 S First Street, San Jose, CA 95113

ADMINISTRATION

The meeting was called to order at 5:25 pm.

Attendance

Directors in Attendance

Jack Nadeau, Mary-Ellen Petrich, Bill Rankin, Richard Silva making a quorum.

Directors Absent

Joan Bohnett, Martin Delson (excused), Bertha Ward

Members in Attendance

Scott Lane

Visitors in Attendance

Janice Rombeck from Dave Cortese's office.

Krina Desai of Councilmember Pierluigi Oliverio's office

Invited Speakers

None

Minutes

Approval of the minutes of 3/17 and 3/24 were deferred.

REPORTS

Because of the shortness of the meeting, reports were deferred.

NEW ISSUES

The group discussed issues they would like to raise at the Mayoral Candidates meeting that would occur after our meeting. Suggestions included:

New trails are good, but how do we maintain and renovate existing trails?

How do you make sure that parks and trails get priority?

How will the Sharks plans to expand affect the Three Creeks Trail?

What ideas do you have for completing the eastern alignment of the Three Creeks Trail?

Would you continue to advocate for 100 miles of trails?

Yves Zsutty alerted SOT about a small grant available to non-profits from California Trails and Greenways Foundation. See <http://www.ctgf.org/grants/>. Grant applications posted May 1, 2014, due Sept 30, 2014. Grants have been between \$500 and \$5000, with \$800-\$1000 being most common.

A letter was received from Jean Dresden on April 4, 2014 detailing what steps we can take to renew two parks rangers. Mary-Ellen volunteered to write a letter to the city manager, and to write letters to send to city councilmembers.

Outreach. Mary-Ellen presented information on the twitter account for Save Our Trails. She provided a handout listing some of our partner organizations and a list of topics of interest.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

SUMMARY OF NEW ACTION ITEMS

No.	Date	Who	Action	Due
209	2/17/14	Mary Ellen	Convene committee meeting with Joan to work on suggestions for SOT long-range plans.	2/28/14
210	4/21/14	Mary-Ellen	Send Letter to City Manager about park rangers	5/1/14
211	4/21/14	Mary-Ellen	The president asked that we make business cards.	5/1/14
212	4/21/14	Bill	Setup a tour of the trail.	5/20/14