

DRAFT Minutes, *Save Our Trails* Board Meeting
Saturday, April 17, 2010
Willow Glen Baptist Church

Directors in Attendance

Gina America, Joan Bohnett, Martin Delson, Rick Hernandez, Roland LeBrun, Taisia McMahon, Jack Nadeau, Shirley Nakamiyo, Bill Rankin, and Richard Silva.

Directors absent were: Mary Ellen Petrich and Bruce Tichinin.

Active Members in Attendance

None

Taisia chaired the meeting.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of March 20th were approved without amendment.

Treasurer's Report

Taisia reported that we had \$366 in the treasury. There was no income from last month, and an expense of \$35 was incurred to pay for the meeting room.

Upcoming Meetings

Taisia tabulated the following governmental meetings and events which *Save Our Trails* members should consider attending.

- Diridon Station Area Good Neighbor Meeting: April 21. (Joan, Taisia, and Martin to attend)
- Envision 2040 Taskforce: April 26 (Joan, Taisia, Jack, and Bill to attend);
- Envision 2040 Taskforce: May 24 (Joan, Martin, Taisia, and Bill to attend)
- San Jose Budget district meeting: April 21
- Earthday Celebration: April 22 (Gina and Rick to assist Larry Ames)
- Open Space Authority: May 27. (Discussed below)

Land Use and Transportation Diagram

Roland suggested that to help ensure implementation of the Three Creeks Trail, *Save Our Trails* should work toward amending the San Jose Citywide General Plan Land Use Diagram to explicitly show the trail. Joan requested Taisia to ask Bruce to review the language of Roland's suggestion.

Coyote- Alamos Canal Trail

The presentation originally scheduled for Roland this date has been postponed. Roland said he found it impossible to persuade people who would be interested joining *Save Our Trails* and working with us to open a trail along the Coyote-Alamos Canal to attend a meeting on a Saturday morning.

Martin suggested that Roland confer with these individuals and choose a date and venue that would maximize turnout, and then invite all available Board Members to attend a meeting that he would schedule. There he would present the history and current problems with implementing a trail, and *Save Our Trails* representatives would explain the mission and structure of our organization.

History Trail

Joan reported on her discussions with officers of the Pioneers on her idea, adopted at the previous meeting, to explore the possibility of having the trail designated as a "historical trail". She said that the Pioneers were very positive. She said she will schedule a similar talk with History San Jose, and is very hopeful on getting their support as well.

Open Space Authority Subcommittee

A Subcommittee was formed consisting of Larry, Bruce, Richard, and Tai to prepare a presentation to the Open Space Authority to request that 20% of the funds not claimed for refund by taxpayers be dedicated to the Three Creeks Trail. The meeting will take place on May 27th at 6980 Santa Teresa Blvd, Suite 100, San Jose 95119.

Motions to establish several policies

Martin pointed out that the officers should have overlapping terms of office. **He moved that the initial terms of the Vice President and the Treasurer be limited to one year, after which the terms may be extended or new officers elected for a term of two further years. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.**

Martin moved that the Secretary be instructed to deliver an archive copy of all Save Our Trail files to the President on at least a bi-monthly basis. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Martin moved that the Secretary be authorized to submit the application for an Employee Identification Number, to be designated as the "Responsible Party" and the "Administrator", and to sign the application. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Next Meetings

Taisia has reserved the Church for meetings the third Saturday of every month. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 2010, and subsequent meetings on 5/15, 6/19, 7/17, 8/21, 9/18, 10/16, 11/20, and 12/18.

The meeting was adjourned.