

**Mission Canyon Association**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors**  
**Oct. 7, 2014, 7:30 p.m.**

1. Call to order & introduction
  
- 2.2.0 Board Members Present: Susan Davidson, Kellam de Forest, Barbara Lindemann, James Madison, Ray Smith, Richard Solomon, Kevin Snow, Hugh Twibell, Alastair Winn  
Board Members Absent: Dick Axilrod, Pablo Buckelew, Alex Feldwinn, Darby Feldwinn, Jean Yamamuro  
Guests: Luke Swetland, Steve Windhager
  
3. Minutes of the Sept. 2, 2104 meeting - approved
  
4. Treasurer's report (Read on January, April, July, October) – approved
  
5. Old Business
  - 5.1 Botanic Garden update (Steve Windhager) Steve reported that the grading permit now in place and that building will soon start. He has requested that the SBBG sub-committee begin to meet again. He announced that the annual plant sale is under way and discussed their use of rocks unearthed during the water pipeline construction project.
  - 4.2 Museum of Natural History update (Luke Swetland)  
Luke reported that their plan has been sent to the City for initial comment. Our Museum Committee will also view and comment after the City has provided input. Timing with respect to the Museum's Master Plan can be found here <http://www.sbnature.org/about/576.html>  
Luke also announced special member events scheduled for the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Oct as well as a program "Howls & Owls" scheduled for Oct 30<sup>th</sup> .

It was also reported that the City responded with a “gracious brush off” regarding the request for no parking signs on Las Encinas Road.

5.3 Flamesniffer update (Ray) Ray announced that the Flamesniffer project was progressing with a few hiccups.

5.4 Update on request for \$1,000 donation to Mission Heritage Trail Association (Kellam & Alastair) A discussion regarding how an MCA donation to the MHTA would be used focused finally, on their Historical Resources Report. It was moved, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed unanimously to make a donation of \$1000 to the Mission Heritage Trail Association (aka – Safe Passage).

5.5 Someone asked about the status of the ivy eradication project. It was noted that there were few volunteers, probably because of the unseasonable hot weather, and the project was on hold.

## 6. New Business

6.1 Fire Safe Council meeting report (Ray) – Ray is to follow up on the status of MCA’s donation to Goats 4 Hire.

6.2 After some discussion, James volunteered his wife to help with the idea of establishing neighborhood captains.

## 7. Additional Committee Reports (as needed)

7.1 Newsletter (Jean Yamamura)

7.2 Architectural Design Review (Hugh Twibell)

7.3 Parking & Traffic (Dick Axilrod)

7.4 Land Use Committee (Kevin Snow)

7.5 Membership (Laurie Guitteau)

7.6 Fire Committee (Jean)

- see above -

7.7 Botanic Garden Advisory Committee (Darby Feldwinn)

7.8 Garden Whys Committee (Susan Davidson)

7.9 Natural History Museum Committee (Kevin)

7.10 Safe Passage (Alastair Winn)

- see above

7.11 Web site (Alex Feldwinn)

Next regular meeting, Nov. 4, 2014 (Election Day)  
MacVeagh House, Natural History Museum

Respectively Submitted Ray Smith