

July 9, 2008 – Draft Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of the Friends of Sausal Creek, a California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation

Board Members: Mark Rauzon, Kristen Hopper, Helen McKinley, Harry Schrauth, Richard Kauffman, Carl Kohnert, Pat Bacchetti

Staff: Executive Director, Sara Marcellino;

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by President Mark Rauzon.

Approval of June Minutes – Minutes were approved with minor edits.

Executive Director Update – Sara Marcellino provided handouts summarizing program and financial items: (1) Projected 2008-2009 budget projections, (2) Regional Board grant hydrology project status, (3) Coastal Conservancy/Demo Garden Project agreement negotiations in process, and (4) Fundraising overview. Board members discussed fundraising opportunities and strategies for the upcoming year.

Restoration Update – (1) Prop 84 – Board discussed member meeting preparation relative to soliciting input for Dimond Park Demo garden options, (2) Pallids discussion indicates issues are ongoing, (3) Plans for September crew leader/board member potluck, (4) July 19th workday for Mary Crocker grant at Dimond Park, (5) August planning time for fall; program and outreach, (6) Wellington Avenue work to go ahead to correct erosion problems; project will include FoSC plantings there, (7) Richard Kauffman provided an update on Beaconsfield, including Sue Piper's input, using the September 17th member meeting as a vehicle for getting neighbors involved. Also, plans for an Ice Cream Social on National Night Out, August 5 are in the works – this can be an outreach opportunity in advance of the September meeting.

Nursery Update – (1) Renovation (Shade Structure) work schedule from now through October, Plant Sale and Open House (October 26). (2) Sara and Molly have prepared a draft prospectus on the Nursery renovations.

Salary Committee Update – (Adjourned to Executive Session) – Carl Kohnert provided a summary of some of the options under consideration. The Board plans to make decisions about salary in August.

Adjourn – Next Meeting – August 13, 2008; Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.