**Friends of Camp Mather Monthly Meeting**

**Open Meeting Minutes**

**January 5, 2022**

**In attendance:**

Eamon Barisone (President)

Midge Lingvai (Treasurer)

Maria Balestrieri (Corresponding Secretary)

Jenna Philpott (Vice President)

Phil Enis

James Donaher

Bob Frantz

Joe Litehiser

Brent Sleeper

Carolyn Abate (Secretary)

**Absent: none**

**Guests:**

Neil Fahy

Mary Mottola

Toby Wiley

Tom Graham

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm

Approval of November meeting minutes

Midge makes motion to accept November minutes as corrected and Maria second. The motion carries.

**Treasurer Report:**

Store Account:

November opening balance: $26,547.39

Expenditures: $172.76

December 31 ending balance: $26,374.63

FoCM account:

November opening balance: $84,115.31

Received: 3,430.59

Expending: $2,227.42

December 31 ending balance: $85,318.48

Certificate of Deposit: $20.542.23

Overall Totals – $132, 235.34

Maria motions to approve, Brent seconds. The motion carries.

Guest Intros:

Michele McMahon-Cost

Jim Brennan

Christy Kennedy

Lisa DiGirolamo

Tom Graham

Toby Wiley

Neil Fahy

Rec & Park Update: Toby Wiley, Mather manager, [Toby.Wiley@sfgov.org](mailto:Toby.Wiley@sfgov.org). His office is in the Noe Valley Upper Rec Center.

* Signed his official contract. Been going to Mather as a kid. Very exciting and emotional time.
* Team is in the process of hiring; interviews are going to start soon. Looking far and wide; posting in community colleges, Irish Embassy, etc.
* Team is in the process of capital projects at the Camp. New Deck the at the lake.
* Camp looked beautiful in November. Took down a lot of trees – about 800.
* At this point everyone has to be vaccinated. His goal is to keep everyone safe.
* New Staff housing has been completed. The Edens, staff housing, and a new restroom and showers.
* Joe asked about front doors on the store to be replaced and to consider a retail service window on the deck wall to serve people outside.
* Toby said there’s about 100 projects he needs to accomplish in order for camp to be up and running. Nothing that is insurmountable.
* Weekly meetings are beginning next week.
* Volunteer week we would know but late January.
* Toby is really working to make sure that Camp is equitable. That is a goal for the city.
* Senior week has already been set: Aug 21 to Aug 25
* Neil – asked about Hog Ranch; the road and the building need a lot of attention.
* Midge - Store staff trying to get up there by Mid May. Store manager usually stays in the Priest cabin.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

***Business: Midge***

Finance and store. End Q4; we will be filing Payroll & Sales tax returns. Biz committee will come up with a budget for the fiscal year. Also need to address the store. We need to publish job listing for the store – about six people. Claudia will run an advertisement. Need to repair and review the store freezer, refrigerator, wash the interior.

Tom suggestions - community college bookstore employees may be a good idea.

***Community Outreach and Engagement: Jenna***

She is sending out the contact information.

Recurring Donations can work in Paypal.

Specific emails for each member.

***Operations: Phil***

We have a full slate of volunteers. Week 11 is the only he couldn’t fill but Phil will take it. They will attend board meetings and training. One training in May, and they are to attend two prior to camp. Raffle winners, everybody was super responsive. Park and Rec has the name as previous raffle winners.

***Naturalists: Phil***

Volunteer naturalists list was sent to Rec & Park. Lisa and Eamon will meet with Phil to sort through the details.

***Digital Strategy: Eamon***

Inbound emails for people looking for work.

Brent; the focus on starting out email cadence and reconnecting with our community. His goal is about 1 or 2 a month emails - that’s the sweet spot. We aren’t getting a ton of unsubscribes. As we get closer to camp is 2 per month. We want to be helpful and useful for the members.

We had an explicit outreach is Giving Tuesday. And we got a good amount of uptick. By December 31, we’ve received $3,000 in donations. Since May donation totals have been $5,700.

Brent looked at Donor View – we should make decision in the coming months.

How can we more effectively engage with people who want to volunteer and contribute in-kind. Give people an extra boost for signing up for the new**s**letter. Mad Mimi

***Proposed 2022 Board Slate:*** This is the slate the board is putting forth and is there other slates. Current members of the board are the only people allowed to vote.

* + Proposed Slate is as follows:
    - Joe Litehiser
    - James Donaher
    - Mary Horner Mottola
    - Carolyn Abate
    - Maria Balestrieri
    - Jim Brennan
    - Phil Enis
    - Bob Frantz
    - Midge Lingvai
    - Michele McMahon-Cost
    - Brent Sleeper

Current members voted in favor of this slate

**Eamon calls to end open session 8:23pm.**