

**Friends of Camp Mather Monthly Meeting
Open Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2024**

<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>GUESTS</u>
Carolyn Abate (Recording Secretary)	Roxanne Manners (Treasurer)	Linda Litehiser
Maria Balestrieri (Corresponding Secretary)		Claudia Reinhart (Store Manager)
Phil Enis		John Steddin (Perspective 2024 Board Member)
Bob Frantz		
Hana Jue		
Midge Lingvai		
Joe Litehiser (President)		
Michele McMahon-Cost (Vice-president)		
Brent Sleeper		

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm, quorum is confirmed.

Bob Frantz made, Michele McMahon-Cost seconded, a motion to approve the November 4, 2023, meeting minutes as amended, to be posted on the FoCM website. The motion carried.

ELECTION OF 2024 FoCM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

According to Article 3, Section 8 of the FoCM Bylaws in relevant part: “At an annual meeting of directors held during the first quarter of the calendar year, directors shall be elected by the Board of Directors in accordance with this section. The board will be elected in slate fashion, with the highest vote-getting slate proposed by any board member or nonvoting general member becoming the governing body for the year.”

A slate of Jim Angelus, Maria Balestrieri, Phil Enis, Bob Frantz, Hana Jue, Midge Lingvai, Joe Litehiser, Brent Sleeper, and John Steddin was proposed on behalf of the 2023 Board.

No other slate was proposed and the above slate was adopted by unanimous vote.

President Joe Litehiser welcomed the two new Board members, Jim Angelus and John Steddin, and thanked retiring Board members, Carolyn Abate and Michele McMahon-Cost, for their significant contributions to FoCM during their tenure as Board of Directors members.

ELECTION OF 2024 FoCM OFFICERS

According to Article 4, Section 1 of the FoCM Bylaws: “The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Secretary, and a Chief Financial Officer who shall be designated the Treasurer. The corporation may also have, as determined by the Board of Directors, a Chairperson of the Board, one or more Vice Presidents, Assistant Secretaries, Assistant Treasurers, or other officers. Any number of offices may be held by the same person except that neither the Secretary nor the Treasurer may serve as the President or Chairperson of the Board.

According to Article 4, Section 2 of the FoCM Bylaws: “Any person may serve as officer of this corporation. Officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors, at any time, and each officer shall hold office until he or she resigns or is removed or is otherwise disqualified to serve, or until his or her successor shall be elected and qualified, whichever occurs first.”

Nominees for officers were: Brent Sleeper – President; Joe Litehiser – Recording Secretary; Midge Lingvai – Acting Treasurer; and Maria Balestrieri, Corresponding Secretary. All nominees were elected by unanimous consent of the Board.

Following the election of the new Board, its Officers, and with the arrival of additional guests, the meeting attendees were:

<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>GUESTS</u>
Maria Balestrieri (Corresponding Secretary)	Jim Angelus	Linda Litehiser
Phil Enis		Mike van der Porten
Bob Frantz		Claudia Reinhart (Store Manager)
Hana Jue		Jeff Vidali
Midge Lingvai (Acting Treasurer)		Toby Wiley (Camp Manager)
Joe Litehiser (Recording Secretary)		
Brent Sleeper (President)		
John Steddin		

Secretary Litehiser confirmed that there was a quorum of the 2024 Board of Directors present.

TREASURER REPORT (Midge Lingvai)

Acting Treasurer, Midge Lingvai, provided the following summary of FoCM’s finances through the end of calendar 2023.

Treasurer Report as of 12/31/2023

Friends Account:	
Beginning Balance	109,711.04
Deposits	6,256.09
Expenses	259.70
Ending Balance	115,707.43
Store Account:	
Beginning Balance	58,211.11
Deposits	823.68
Expenses	911.19
Ending Balance	58,123.60
Certificate of Deposit:	20,595.68
Total	194,426.71

Maria motions to approve the Treasurer’s report. Phil seconds. Motion carries.

Joe Litehiser noted that his attempt to make a donation to FoCM by credit card using the “Donate” button of the FoCM website has been unsuccessful. Michele McMahon-Cost mentioned that an email to the FoCM site (friendsofcampmather@gmail.com) also mentioned a problem with PayPal. These are the only two problem cases currently known. While investigating and taking steps to correct this issue, donations can always be made by check mailed to FoCM, P.O. Box 320542, San Francisco, California 94132.

GUEST INTRODUCTIONS AND COMMENTS

Guest Jeff, Vidali, joined the meeting to update his offer to provide and install window shades/coverings for Camp Mather cabins. These shades could supplement cabin cloth curtains. They are bottom=up shades, are compliant with all current code requirements and have been put in San Francisco schools. Because the numbers and sizes of windows in Camp Mather cabins vary by cabin type, significant customization would be required. To this end the detailed inventory compiled several years ago by Linda Litehiser for use with her curtain replacement project could be used for initial estimation purposes. Initial costs for two trial cabins, a six-person cabin on the lake-side of Camp and the Nurses Cabin , have been estimated: about \$525 and \$260, respectively. San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department approval will certainly be needed to proceed, but in furtherance of demonstration of the feasibility of this project Jeff offered to install the shades in the two demonstration cabins. A proposed time for this would be during the FoCM pre-Camp work of late May. Brent Sleeper asked the members of the Operation Committee to work with Jeff on timing.

Guest Claudia Reinhart (FoCM's Camp Mather General Store Manager) reported on Store staffing issues for the 2024 summer season. Response to notice of job openings has been encouraging to date with inquiries from prospective employees from Indeed (four), Next Door (two), and returnees from 2023 (three) in process. Claudia asked all FoCM Board members to help spread the word that we're hiring. Claudia also looks forward to working with FoCM's Store Committee and the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department on important and pressing decisions to be made about Centennial-specific inventory and graphics design.

Guest Mike Von der Porten, whose son designed the "Mather Bear" sticker for 2023, asked about the status and any details for graphics for 2024. There are few specifics on this matter now, but it is recognized that this is a time-sensitive matter that should be given to ad hoc Centennial and Store Committees as soon as these committees can be formed and populated.

SFRPD REPORT

2024 Camp Manager, Toby Wiley, joined the meeting to update the Board on opportunities for collaboration between FoCM and SFRPD during the 2024 Camp Mather Centennial year. These included participation for selection of Centennial-specific graphics, Camp activities, and items for the Camp Mather Store inventory. A Centennial Committee with FoCM, SFRPD and other interested members was encouraged to continue a very preliminary collection and of ideas that has begun. This should be continued soon. On another matter, FoCM agreed to support SFRPD in the purchase of two ice/water vending machines for the Jack Spring Lodge dining hall.

Brent Sleeper called for adjournment of the January 10th general meeting of the FoCM Board of Directors at 8:15 pm.