

NIABI ZOO COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD – APRIL 1, 2019 MEETING

IN ATTENDANCE

Bill Nelson – Chair	Kat Broughton	John Peters (resigned)
Liz Dierolf – Vice Chair	Mik Holgersson	Luke VanLandegen
Gerald Correthers - Secretary	Kathy Matherly	
Lee Jackson – Niabi Zoo Director		

MEETING MINUTES

1. Minutes approval for March – postponed due to lack of quorum
2. Member resignation – John Peters; Kai/Lee will begin posting for new member applications this month; Liz suggests at least three new members to replace those who have dropped off from original group; group agreed it will be good to have new members in prior to November when original members will step off or renew terms
3. Visitors: Dr. Greg Rasmussen, Painted Dog Project; Joel Vanderbush, Zoo Educator; Jeff Craver
4. Dr. Rasmussen discussed Painted Dog Project and how Niabi Zoo is partnering with them
5. Review of fees: nothing new this year but possible changes in next few months to offset increasing costs from minimum wage increase
6. 501(c)3 Discussion: Need to identify CAB members who will officially sit on foundation in order to process paperwork through IRS, led to discussion of increasing numbers of CAB members due to attrition; Bill – suggested someone from Niabi Zoological Society sit on CAB and foundation to improve cohesive efforts
7. Director's Report:
 - a. Working on opening day preparations; two new species added and primate exhibit finished and open; ribbon-cutting at 10:00am on Apr. 10th for public
 - b. June 10th – AZA team returns to complete accreditation visit
 - c. Wine & Design event successful – will do again but will adjust pricing to better-reflect demand and event needs
 - d. Opening Day – April 13, 2019
8. Next meeting agenda items:
 - a. CAB Membership recruitment
 - b. Gift policy final recommendations
 - c. Tour of new exhibit (or full zoo)

Adjourn: 6:35pm

Next meeting: Monday, May 13th, 2019 – 5:30pm at Niabi Zoo