
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE TORONTO ZOO**AGENDA**

Date of Meeting: Thursday, October 29, 2009 **Enquiry:** Ms. Rosalind Dyers
Time: 2:00 p.m. **Committee Administrator**
Location: Committee Room 2 **416-392-8018**
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If the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo wishes to meet in closed session (privately), a motion must be made to do so, and the reason given (*City of Toronto Act, 2006*).

Declarations of Interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*

Confirmation of Minutes – October 2, 2009

Presentation:

I. FOR APPROVAL:

1. 2010 Operating Plan and Budget

Report (October 20, 2009) from the Chief Operating Officer advising that the Management Committee on October 19, 2009, recommended approval of the following staff recommendation on the 2010 Operating Plan and Budget, and strongly endorsed the addition of new service changes for the Education for Sustainable Development Programs Co-ordinator, the Animal Outreach Program, the Fish Curatorial (grant) position and the Curatorial (grant) position and the Curatorial Mammal Keeper.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Requested Base 2010 Operating Budget and the list of New and Existing Services, attached to the report, be approved.

2. 2010 Staff Travel

Report (October 21, 2009) from the Chief Operating Officer outlining the 2010 Conference and Business Travel budgets.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Business Travel Budget in the amount of \$68,573.00 (less external funding of \$20,392.00) and the Conference Travel Budget in the amount of \$63,096.00, as detailed on the attached schedules, be approved.

3. Renewable Energy Generation and Demonstration

Report (October 20, 2009) from the Executive Director, Conservation, Education and Research responding to the request of the Board to report on the Zoo's progress with renewable energy generation and demonstration projects.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

1. the development of large-scale (>1.5MW) wind energy facilities at the Toronto Zoo not be pursued and that the Zoo focus on implementing small scale (1-25KW) wind turbine(s) for education and demonstration purposes;
2. the Board fund its renewable energy generation projects through partnership arrangements and/or through approved Zoo capital and operating budgets; and
3. Zoo staff continue to update the Board on significant developments regarding renewable energy generation projects.

4. 2010 Board and Committee Meeting Dates

Report (October 14, 2009) from the Acting Chief Executive Officer submitting the 2010 Board and Committee meeting schedules.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the meeting dates for the Board of Management and its Committees for 2010, as outlined in the report, be adopted.

III. FOR INFORMATION:

5. Meeting Agendas Posted on Website

Report (October 20, 2009) from the Acting Chief Executive Officer providing an update on the status of posting meeting agendas, reports and minutes on the website; and noting that beginning with the October 2, 2009, meeting of the Board of Management the meeting agenda and reports were posted on the City of Toronto website, and that once the minutes and 2010 schedule of meetings have been approved by the Board they will be posted on the website.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

6. CAZA Awards

Report (October 21, 2009) from the Acting Chief Executive Officer advising that the Toronto Zoo received two important awards from the Canadian Association of Zoos and Aquariums at its recent conference held in Edmonton; and noting that the Zoo received the Association's highest award, the Thomas R. Baines award, for the new Tundra Trek area, and also the Col. G.D. Dailley Award, which recognizes success in breeding programs dealing with rare or endangered species, and which was jointly awarded to the Toronto and Calgary Zoos for their work in bringing back the black-footed ferret to the Canadian prairie.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be received for information.

7. Staff Appointments (Report available by request)

Report (October 20, 2009) from the Chief Operating Officer advising of the appointment of:

- Mr. Dave Calder to the contract position of Business Development Officer with the Marketing and Communications Division, effective October 13, 2009;
- Mr. Joseph Merrett to the position of Supervisor of Horticulture, effective October 19, 2009.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board receive the report for information.

8. Committee Minutes

Report (October 20, 2009) from the Acting Chief Executive Officer providing an update on Committee activities.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the September 9, 2009, Minutes of the Management Committee be received for information.

9. Preliminary Operating Results – September 2009

Report (October 20, 2009) from the Chief Operating Officer submitting the 2009 preliminary operating results for the period ending September 30, 2009.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board receive this report for information.

10. Visitor Statistics

Report (October 7, 2009) from the Executive Director, Marketing and Communications submitting the visitor statistics for the period ending September 30, 2009.