MINUTES OF MEETING ON JUNE 5, 2007

Standing in for Pres. Joni Eisen, VP Alyssa Levine brought the meeting to order in a timely manner.

Although there was a carefully planned agenda for this well-attended meeting, parties on both sides of the helipad issue were in early attendance and ready to present their opposing views. Consequently, all other agenda items were tabled until the next club meeting (August 7th).

Representing SF General:

¬ Dr. Andre Campbell, SFGH Chief of Staff and attending trauma surgeon
¬ Dr. Robert Mackersie, Chief, SFGH Trauma Program
¬ Carlos Villalva, Hospital Executive Architect
¬ Iman Nazeeri-Simmons, Director, Administrative Operations
¬ Leslie Dubbin, SF Dept. of Public Health and SFGH Medical Center

The SFGH team presented a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Developing a Medical Helipad for the City of San Francisco," followed by a Q & A period.

The opposing view was presented by members of Neighbors of SFGH, represented by:

• Karen Cliffe, certified social worker and former 30-year SFGH staff member
• Loretta Lynch, Hill resident with prior government service
• Bridget O'Rourke, CPA and second-generation Potrero Hill native

The Neighbors of SFGH had obviously done their homework and offered a concise and well formed objection to the helipad, bringing up such issues as not only the high cost of building the helipad ($7 million), but the wisdom of putting it atop a structure not seismically sound.

The audience questions indicated the level of concern surrounding this contentious issue. There was only one incidence of what might be considered rudeness; the rest of the evening proved to be informational and thought-provoking.

In lieu of the monthly meeting on July 3rd, club members were encouraged to participate in voter registration at the various community events. Calendar and volunteer information may be found on the PhDemClub website.

Assemblyman Mark Leno (running for State Senate against Carole Migden) has been confirmed as guest speaker for the 8/7/07 meeting.

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