

**Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Directors
Sunshine Community Gardens
11/10/20**

Attendees via Zoom: Kay McMurry, Jim Willmann, Kerry Drake

A quorum was not present.

The three board members conversed about a few garden items from 6:05-6:20 p.m., but as a quorum was not present, no action items were explored.

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11/17/20**

Attendees via Zoom: Kay McMurry, Jim Willmann, Kerry Drake, Steve Uecker, Doug Zullo, Marsha Riti, Carol Limaye

A quorum was present.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 by Steve.

Financial Report: Carol Limaye (Discussion) (Attachment)

Very little activity last month. Same position: money in bank, reserves, ahead of budget, doing well.

Plot Report, Kay (Discussion)

160 people are on the waitlist, and there are no vacant plots. All fees will be refunded to families of a primary gardener who dies.

Update on Surenoglu plot. Sule will keep the plot, become the primary gardener, and add a secondary gardener. Service hours and plot fees will be waived at this time. Other gardeners have offered to help her get the plot back in shape. All fees refunded, as interpreted through the approved motion of last month. This means no plot fee next year and no charge to become the primary gardener in this case.

Carol lost Zoom signal approx. 6:10 p.m. Returned approx. 10 minutes later.

Request: Can board members send an email with phone numbers to the secretary to create a board directory for the board members?

Approval of October Minutes (Action)

Steve moved to approve the October Minutes.

Kay seconded.

Unanimously approved.

Garden Sale: Steve Uecker (Action)

Steve pointed out that the majority of gardeners who replied to the survey wanted a sale. However, the main sale coordinators were not willing to lead the sale during the pandemic. It is also unclear that a majority of board members support having a sale.

A new option for the board to explore is having previous Sunshine gardeners, Jeff and Jen, to provide seedlings, deliverable to the Sunshine greenhouse (gardeners could pick up orders at the garden greenhouse). Gabriel Valley would be out this year. Details would need to be worked out for seeds. A sale for sunshine gardeners could work with this system. The board would need to commit to letting Jeff and Jen have access to the greenhouse. Many details to consider: pre-orders, list of seeds and plants, etc. There weren't that many unusual varieties requested in the survey results, but this would be a way to provide ordered plants from a place willing to raise the seeds. Not sure what price or a percentage for SCG. Does SCG need to help with seed purchases? If we helped with the seed purchase, we would receive some reimbursement for the seed money?

Request made to have a Zoom meeting with the Board and Jeff and Jen. Note made that Jen has run plant sales before and is knowledgeable about what this entails.

Steve remarked that we seem to be moving toward not having a sale this year since it would use volunteer staff as labor, during an uncertain time of a pandemic. Steve proposes Jim reach out to Jeff and Jen as early as next week.

Motion by Steve Uecker:

I move to not have our typical run-by-volunteers plant sale at Sunshine Community Gardens since this would entail close physical contact with volunteers during a pandemic when physical proximity is deemed unsafe.

The Motion is seconded and passed unanimously.

Compost Sale: Steve Uecker & Jim Willmann (Discussion)

Jim: requests for compost are at a high enough demand to order another load. Last time we covered our cost. Perhaps we should back off the price. The last sale went well, and accounting for sales was accurate. Randy and Carol can determine a price and order compost for sale.

Nominating Committee: Jim Willmann (Discussion)

SCG needs at least one new person on the nominating committee. The Zoom meeting has not yet been set up for the All Gardeners' Meeting. We must alert gardeners about this meeting and the need to garner a new member of the nominating committee. Should we announce in the Weeder or an email or both?

The suggestion is to hold the meeting via Zoom on December 8, Tuesday, at 7 p.m. In addition to the nominating committee being voted in, this would be a good meeting to discuss what the garden has been doing this year. A notice of this quarterly meeting must go out to membership.

Service Hours: (Discussion)

Service hours will be due December 30, 2020. Bills go out January 15th and are due February 1, 2021. Steve states he will put a note in the Weeder noting that gardeners can apply for waivers in the event they feel unsafe with potential Covid exposure.

Iris Society: Jim Willmann (Action)

This plot has around 100-200 unusual varieties of irises. The primary gardener is not able to maintain the plot. The National Iris Society has a convention in August, and members are hopeful to maintain this Iris bed, at least until after the convention. They can not clean out the beds until after the convention. The suggestion is to waive plot fees for this plot to protect the unique set of irises.

Carol Limay makes a motion:

In the event that the primary or secondary gardener does not take over the plot, I move that we protect the plot and waive fees for the plot and grant the Iris Society the ability to access the plot after August.

The motion was seconded and was approved with one abstention.

Group Plot Request: Kay McMurry (Discussion)

Star Power Blac Kollektive requested a plot donation; however, we currently have no plots to give. There is also concern about renting to a group of people at a time when we are attempting to prevent large groups on the grounds. We would need to identify a primary gardener. Suggestion made that they get on the waitlist as required for all potential gardeners.

Steve Uecker made a motion to adjourn.

Carol Limaye seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.