

GRAND COMMUNITY GARDENS BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 25, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm at Maverick's Grille.

**Present:** Board members: Patty Alander, Cathleen Brown, Julie Kirby-Hines, and Marilyn Hunter. Fraser site coordinator: Deb Buhayar.

**Minutes:** There was a motion, a second and unanimous approval of the March meeting minutes.

**Financial Reports:** The financial reports were received in advance of the meeting. A HSS deposit for \$30 for L. Blackwell was placed in the Granby Transaction Detail. Patty will contact Caroline at the extension office about this.

**Check Requests and Deposits:** None at this time.

**Email business:** Marilyn sent a suggested lunch budget to the Board via email. The budget discussion was moved to Old Business; Patty heard from Tabernash Tavern that they are willing to host our 2016 Garden to Table Dinner.

**Report on the website:** Mary has posted information on the upcoming Gardening Classes.

**Report on Facebook:** Cathleen has made some recent posts of video clips but there hasn't been much activity.

**Reports on garden sites:**

Kremmling: No report.

Fraser: Having date deadline on garden application has been extremely helpful. Only 2 small beds are left; all others are rented. Will look for volunteers to help put hoop house cover up on April 10; trenching for electrical for ventilation system will be done concurrently.

Granby: All but 1 or 2 beds are rented. Patty will contact a volunteer high school group to see about finishing board replacements of the beds.

Hot Sulphur Springs: Five beds rented; many other gardeners are planning to return but haven't submitted their applications yet.

**Old Business:**

2016 Garden Classes: Date is Saturday, May 7. Time 10-12 and 1-3. Cathleen and Melinda McWilliams will present these topics: soil, amendments, fertilizers, garden design and planning and season extension. Also what grows in GC, how to grow it and garden maintenance. Travis will cover harvesting and preservation.

Lunch will be provided. It was suggested to plan on 40 attendees. There was a motion, a second and unanimous approval of a budget of up to \$250 for lunch.

**New Business:**Ways to encourage volunteerism

This will be a topic for discussion at our next meeting. Summit County community gardens require a deposit at the beginning of the season. Gardeners get their deposit returned if they have contributed a certain number of volunteer hours. Check out this link to see their plot fees and deposit requirements: <http://www.summitgardennetwork.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2013/02/2016-Plot-Fees-and-Deposit-Schedule.pdf>

There may be other non-monetary incentives to be considered as well.

**Review Assignments:**

Cathleen – work on garden classes; Facebook posts.

Patty – will contact Sky Hi News about ad dates for classes; contact Travis re newspaper articles on gardens and classes

Merilyn – Minutes; purchase lunch for garden classes

Julie – talk to Molly Bruchez who might be interested in helping at the Kremmling garden site; will print class flyers

Debbie – will make a spreadsheet on seed planting for Cathleen for garden classes; will be available for morning class if anything is needed.

**Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be on Monday, May 16 at 5:30 pm at Maverick's.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Merilyn Hunter