

GRAND COMMUNITY GARDENS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

January 19, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 5:42 pm.

Present: Cathleen Brown, Mary Williamson, Patty Alander, Julie Hines, Marilyn Binkley, Travis Hoesli and Merilyn Hunter.

Minutes: there was a motion, a second and unanimous approval of the November meeting minutes as written.

Financial Reports: The financial reports were reviewed. There was a net income of \$2985 for 2014. The budget sheet was reviewed. There was a motion, a second and unanimous approval to accept the budgeted income and expenditures with a correction to the heading to reflect that it is for 2015.

Check Requests and Deposits: Deposit records for Fraser plot rentals were circulated and approved. Check requests to refund Mary for website expenses were circulated and approved.

Report on the website: Mary has created a new garden website using wix.com. The URL has remained the same. The name registration was renewed through Bayshore Solutions. The board agreed that the website is a tremendous improvement and thanked Mary for all of her time and energy in creating it. Marilyn B. submitted some edits.

Report on Facebook: Due to the way the original Facebook page was set up, linking it to Deb Buhayar's personal account, Cathleen and Julie will work together to take down the current page and to create a new one. Merilyn H. will add Cathleen back on to the old FB page as an administrator so that she can make these changes.

Reports on garden sites:

Kremmling: Travis is going to request delivery of a load of GrandGro and will then incorporate it into the garden beds.

No reports from Fraser, Granby or Hot Sulphur Springs.

New Business:

Review the Constitution and Bylaws

CURRENT WORDING:

Article V – Meetings

Section A: Executive Board

The Executive Board shall meet each month to discuss regular business of the organization that needs to be addressed before the biannual membership meetings. At the beginning of each meeting the floor will be given in 3-minute intervals to any member wishing to address the board about community garden business.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

Section A: Executive Board

The Executive Board shall meet a minimum of eight times per year to discuss regular business of the organization that needs to be addressed before the annual membership meeting. At the beginning of each meeting the floor will be given in 3-minute intervals to any member wishing to address the board about community garden business.

CURRENT WORDING:

Section B: Membership Meetings

Grand Community Gardens Organization shall have no less than two membership meetings annually. One meeting shall take place in the spring before planting and the other meeting in the fall after the growing season is complete.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

Section B: Membership Meetings

Grand Community Gardens Organization shall have one annual membership meeting.

There was a motion, a second and unanimous approval of the proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws.

Review of the 2015 Garden Rules: various suggestions were discussed. Marilyn B. offered to develop a draft of changes and to submit it to the Board for review and approval.

2015 Garden Classes: It was decided to offer classes on Saturday, April 18 and on Saturday, April 25 from 1 - 3 pm. A suggested outline would be Day 1 – beginners' boot camp and Day 2 – an experienced gardeners' round table. Specific content and instructors TBA. The Mountain Parks Electric community room has worked well in the past. Merilyn H. will check with them about availability and a reservation.

Review Assignments:

Cathleen – Take down the current Facebook page and create a new one

Patty – email check request and deposit forms to Board members

Mary – update applications for website; other edits to website

Marilyn – write a draft of garden rules

Julie – work with Cathleen on Facebook

Travis – fix financial reports

Merilyn – add Cathleen back on as a Facebook administrator; rewrite Bylaws with changes; contact Mountain Parks Electric to reserve meeting room

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be on Monday, February 16 at 5:30 pm at Brickhouse 40.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.