

DCOG Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, February 3, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: The Barn

Attendees:

John Krieck, Ann Bone, Jeff Leech, Anna Schoenbacher, Jacob Hayes, Sarah Phillips, Beth Paschetto, Pam Robinson, Taylor Levinson, Cyndi McGill

Call to Order: 6:32PM by Ann Bone

Chairpersons' Report

Presenter: Ann & Pam

Topics: Call to Order, Review Jan Minutes, MLK Day of Service

- No corrections were made for the Jan minutes
- Feb Garden of the Month: Sheila Wilder in bed #311
- MLK Day of Service
 - Very positive turnout participants wise
 - Jeff chimed in saying it was the best in ~12 years
 - 15 beds rebuilt
 - 2 net new pantry beds
 - 5 bags of Soil3 (~7000lbs) used for beds
 - Will need new pantry bed volunteers
 - Will put notice on website and newsletter to try to get volunteers
- Harvest team will start planting pantry beds for spring

Garden Report

Presenter: Taylor, Jeff

Topics: Transition to cooler weather

- Working on developing "Healthy Gardening Guidelines" in order for to maintain and improve the health for the entire garden for all members
- Still in work but emphasis on education along with quarterly workdays to keep the garden up and higher accountability
 - Education starting with Cyndi's Feb Master gardener talk
- Members are encouraged to stay tuned for more info to be posted later
- Valves for all the in bed watering is on schedule to be completed before water is turned back on

Plant Sale Report

Presenter: Cyndi

Topic: Plant Sale prep and updates

- Workdays early March, more details to come
- Late Feb plan to go gather transplants some plants for the sale from someone gracious enough to donate
- Working on apparel to make workers easily identifiable (t-shirts or hats, etc)

Greenhouse Report

Presenter: Ann on behalf of Richard

Topics: Transition to cooler weather

- Grow lights have all been replaced
- Plant sale seed starting to begin on 2/10 for tomatoes and eggplants, peppers week after
- New volunteer to help at the greenhouse

Events Report

Presenter: Beth.

Topics: Wine & Cheese night

- Supplies in barn have been restocked
- Asked about possible theme for wine & cheese event and started planning for it

Communications Report

Presenter: Sarah

Topics: Feb newsletter

- Main point of emphasis for Feb newsletter is to start messaging on the “Healthy Gardening Guidelines” mentioned above and the Feb Master Gardener talk

Membership Report

Presenter: Anna S.

Topic: Membership Update

- 6 new members
- 2 open plots
- 20 waitlist
- Gate code change incoming now that all renewals are in

Treasurer’s Report

Presenter: John

Topics: EOY Budget Overview

- Some small budget changes which will lead to finalizing it at the next board meeting:
 - Increase in mowing cost
 - Plumbing project correction
 - Taylor has a few small additions for garden team

Secretary Report

Presenter: Jacob

Topic: Website Updates, Master Gardener talk descriptions

- Presenters on Master Gardener talks are encouraged to give descriptions and any other info they may have or want added to the site before their talks
- Feb website updates incoming
- Will investigate putting potential educational videos as well as another info/education section on the site for supporting the Healthy Gardening Guidelines effort

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacob Hayes

DCGO Recording Secretary