DCGO BOD Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

April 2, 2024

Attending: Richard Osterholtz, John Krieck, Kame Awokoya, Ann Wright, Ann Bone, Dave Siegler

Dave called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Dave asked if DCGO has sufficient cash to replace the broken/missing clock. John assured him that we do.

Dave asked for revisions or corrections to the draft March minutes. None were requested and the Minutes were unanimously approved.

Vice-Chair - Dave reported that the YTD harvest as of 3/27 is 131.24 lbs. The Pantry Beds are all taken care of, most planted, a few still planting. Richard noted that the GH has tomatoes, eggplants and peppers ready for immediate transplant into PB's.

Membership - no updates, per email from Eleanor.

Treasurer - John reported that we have approx. \$19K in the bank with no income expected until the Plant Sale. He requested info on any large expected expenditures; none stated. The \$1500 grant money from FoodWell Alliance has been received. John has obtained a second CLOVER machine, to be assigned to Cyndi. John will train the volunteers on the Clover use at the Plant Sale. Dave asked if we track Greenhouse expenses vs Plant Sale revenue. Richard responded that the GH brings in continual income with miscellaneous plant sales year-round. All agreed that the cash flow is positive. Ann alerted John that memorial tributes for Mitch McGill are being received and that Cyndi will want a list of them at some point in the future.

Greenhouse - Richard stated that the veggies for the Plant Sale and for the Pantry Beds are in good shape with all the tomatoes, peppers and eggplants potted up. Squash, cucumbers and okra have been seeded. Richard has 6 volunteers for this coming Saturday to help install the grow lights. An Eagle Scout has volunteered to rebuild 2 of the ADA beds and is doing his required paperwork with BSA. Ann W. has dropped off refreshments for the volunteers. Taylor Levinson is working on prepping labels and has found a "fix" for the printer which makes it more reliable. She will document the fix. Richard is hosting a Girl Scout tour and basil planting 5/5. Richard has requested parking passes from Rachel Waldron for volunteers during Lemonade Days.

Garden - Per Richard, mowing has resumed and he has a concern to communicate to Jeff.

Social - Ann W. reported that the member Evites for the Wine and Cheese went out 4/1 with an RSVP deadline of 4/10. Food, wine, ice being delivered the day of the event; Betty Alspaugh and Sheila Wilder will receive deliveries and instruct volunteers. WE STILL NEED 4 VOLUNTEERS. A Barn cleanup workday will be held 4/18. Richard did not receive his Evite;

Ann B. included a link to RSVP in the 4/4 Newsletter which Anna S. will monitor. Ann W. reported she had already received 22 RSVP's. Invited guest Evites will go out by 4/3.

Community Outreach - Kame sending a blast email 4/3 about the Plant Sale. Online and Crier ads have been placed. She will confirm the SOIL3 discount code for DCGO to be included in newsletters and on the website landing page. Kame has resumed DCGO member interviews.

New Business -

Women's Group request from Nicki O'Neil is tabled until the next board meeting.

SNAP! Dragon's Garden was very successful with much greater attendance this year. The dinosaur inflatables were the hit of the event! Richard reported that the pears and daffodils were blooming and that the garden was in overall good shape. He received a few inquiries about membership.

SKIM volunteer offer for 4/22 will be politely declined by Richard as the timing conflicts with Plant Sale prep.

Plant Sale - volunteer staffing seems to be filling up just fine so far. Alcohol permit and music are lined up. Tables are delivered. Betty and Sheila will be running the event. The non-member guest list was circulated and our Wells Fargo contact was added.

Newsletter - Ann B. reported that the Plant Sale, the Wine and Cheese party, SNAP! Dragon's Garden, an appeal for plants, the April MG Talk and tips for April are included, as well as our April Garden of the Month winner, Jackie Young (bed #200).

Website - Dave asked for photos and more content for his updates.

Ann informed all that Cyndi is planning a Memorial Service and Celebration of Life for Mitch on Sunday, April 21 at 4 PM at the Pavillion in the Woods in the Dunwoody Nature Center. All are invited, but please drop her a line to let her know if you're planning on attending.