

Pine Street Community Gardens

Board Meeting

Date: Tuesday June 16th, 2009
Time: 8:00 to 9:00pm
Place: Room Eighteen, 4th Avenue
Attendees: Gordon, Sarah (recorder), Eric, Christie
Regrets: Julia, Ilse

1. New board members

Christie joined us at the meeting. She is considering joining the board.

⇒ We will send out a call for new board members via email and include a tagline in the emails we send out to the garden members.

⇒ Sarah will send an updated version of the membership application out to the board. It will include a blurb about getting involved and joining the board.

2. Tool shed update

We would like to purchase a second mover. The first is a little dull and sharpening is expensive.

⇒ Gordon will continue to look into purchasing another mower and sharpening the existing one.

3. Membership update

Four plots still need to be assigned and there are a lot of people on the waitlist. We have given away 25 to 30 new garden plots.

The gardener in plot #100 has not paid their membership fees and we have attempted to contact them via email and phone. If not contact is made by July 1st we will give away the plot.

4. Keeping the garden neat and tidy

a. What do we do with “non-performers?”

There is a difference between garden plots that are not being worked on and areas surrounding garden plots that are not being maintained.

Gardeners are asked to keep their gardens and surrounding area neat and tidy and maintain the grass. Some plots that have been given away or have been paid for have not had any work done on them.

We will send the gardener a friendly email inquiring whether they are still interested in gardening. If we do not hear back from them in 2

weeks, we will send another email as well as try calling and ask them again if they are interested in gardening.

⇒ Eric will send out a couple of these emails to “non-performing” plots.

5. Membership cards

⇒ Sarah will send a follow-up email to the graphic designers in the group.

6. Summer Harvest Party

⇒ Sarah and Christie will work on the Summer Harvest Party and keep the rest of the board up to date.

7. The garden email

We get a lot of requests for information via our email address. We will set up an FAQ page on the website and we will include a link to it on our auto reply.

⇒ Sarah will build the FAQ page

⇒ Eric will check the emails regularly and direct them to the appropriate person if necessary.

8. Work process

We are a no guilt organization. The society is run by volunteers who all get busy. Sometimes we don't have the time to do things that we said we are going to do. We can all understand and respect that, but we do need to let the rest of the board know. Someone might be able to lend a hand or take the task on.

⇒ We will all keep the lines of communication open.