

Pine Street Community Gardens 2017 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Meeting was held Tuesday February 21, 2017, 6:30 pm at #200-1558 West 6th Ave., Vancouver, BC.

Agenda

1. Welcome & Quorum

A call to order was called at 6:45 pm with 20 members attending, and a Quorum reached.
Thank you to all who attended! Present: Attendance list on file.

2. Adoption of 2016 AGM Minutes

Minutes of the 2016 AGM were put forward for adoption (Chair/Deb) and carried.

3. Adoption of 2017 AGM Agenda

Agenda for the 2017 AGM was put forward for adoption (Chair/Brent) and carried

4. Open floor to members garden success stories

Members expressed frustration with width of Arbutus greenway paths.
Members asked if there is any contact with other community gardens (e.g. Maple & Cypress) and suggested it would be advantageous to work as a band of community gardens
We continue to have bike rack request and requires following up on. There is an idea to incorporate MPA into community outreach.

5. Board reports

Chair's Report - Jeffrey S

- Discussion on trees in garden: city responsible for street trees; board responsible for orchard.
- No grants or sponsorship received this year; most expenses went to garden supplies & maintenance (inc. weed wackers).

Membership update - Brent S

A local preschool has one plot and gets good use out of it. They will send someone to the work parties to help out and Brent gave them an orientation in the fall.

Treasurer's Report - Joe S

- Joe presented the 2016 Financial Statements

- Jeffrey speaking on behalf of Julia with city & park board updates.
- Garden to continue to work on community outreach, we have a plan to offer stipend for guest speakers.

6. Motions for membership

- board to develop protocol for tree pruning; city is responsible for their trees but we're also responsible for orchard trees
 - Motion 1. Tree planting: acclimation/unanimous vote yes
 - Motion 2. \$200 allowance for support of community outreach efforts: unanimous vote yes
- First: Amanda
Second: Daphne

7. 2017 Goals & Dates

- First work party: Sunday, April 2nd
- Highest priority: water line
- Grant writing (counts for hours)
- What to do in an emergency: someone needs to draft

8. Elections

The following Board members have resigned from their Board Positions:

Jeffrey S - Chair

Joe S - Treasurer

Community Outreach - Elaine

Membership coordinator - Brent

Confirmation of Chair and Vice Chair

Brianne M put herself forward as Chair.

Brenna answered the call for nomination as Vice Chair and was elected by acclamation.

Treasurer

- Daphne answered the call for nomination and was elected by acclamation.

Membership coordinator

- Candice answered the call for nomination and was elected by acclamation.

Community Outreach Coordinator (formerly referred to as City Park Programmer/Community Outreach Coordinator) and now including coordination of subcommittees to manage the interior and exterior operations of the new shed in the City park.

- Jennifer answered the call for nomination and was elected by acclamation.

Thank you everyone!

New PSCG 2017 Board Elections

- Chair: Brianne
- Vice Chair: Brenna
- Treasurer: Daphne
- Membership coordinator: Candice
- Membership administrator: Helen (renewing)
- Community outreach - Jennifer
- City & parks board liaison: Julia (renewing)

Committees (new)

- water line committee: Jeffrey, Joe, Mike, Laurier, Frank (additional request for members to go out in next newsletter)
- Park liaison committee: Amanda
- Adam to help with city coordination

9. Other Business/Suggestions

- get in touch with other community gardens
- bike racks (city park coordinator)
- second copy of keys in second shed
- improve relationship with beekeeper; signage around bees; need a way to keep kids from climbing on it
- is billboard going to be ripped out? Candice wants the gooseberry bush if so
- plexiglass on composter; get locks too; Laurier to help with compost