

# ***MCGA Monthly Board Meeting***

## ***Minutes***

Wednesday, September 19, 2018  
7 PM at Panera - Redmond

Meeting Facilitator: Robin Barnes - President

I. Called to order: 7:10 PM

Present: Kirby Cartwright (Skype), John Talbert, Hannah Kimball, Michelle Raymond, Tiffany King and Carol Johnson

No guests in attendance.

II. Approve Proposed Schedule:

- Michelle motion, Hannah 2nd, unanimously passes.

III. Review of Board Minutes:

- August Board Minutes: Mary Lou motion, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously passes.

IV. Administrative Business:

- Registrar: There was brief discussion about plots F-14 and I-19, letters and action being taken by Row Monitor.
- Treasurer Report: Tiffany was present to collect any outstanding receipts/invoices. The straw buy in monies will be settled by end of September. Water bill will be the only outstanding bill, water will be turned off October 31. Tiffany will be at October meeting with projections. Tiffany also announced that she would like to have someone shadow her. It was suggested Sabrina (last name not given) fellow gardener, will be asked if she'd like to learn the role.
  - November meeting to review closing budget
  - Robin will reach out to Sabrina to see if she is still interested in shadowing Treasure.

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### Planning & Status Reports:

- Food Bank update: No accurate report of pounds donated at this time. It is estimated that there was between 700-1000 pounds collected at the last 2 work parties. Critical note is that gardeners donate from their own gardens to add pounds and bring MCGA over the top for the season. Work party scheduled for October 13 and 20 as backup date. Work to be accomplished final harvest of leeks, tomatoes, tomatillos, beets, potatoes and putting straw down. Other projects will be weeding paths.
- Service Hours Update: John presented current to date accumulation of hours as of September 9 work party. As of this date there is approximately 28% remaining hours to be completed by October 31.
- Electing Board Members: Barb and Bev's positions are up for election.

### Task Report

- Website: Kirby continues to organize and refurbish the website. He's added the Rules and Frequently Asked Questions documents.
- Fund Raising and Finance Strategies: FOMP (Friends of Marymoor Park) continue to encourage us to transition to 501-c to qualify to grants.
- Pressure Regulator: Quote of \$1500.00 may have been a mistake, could be <\$500.00. Clarification as to contract term and end of 2019. Will table until November meeting.
- Path Maintenance: It will cost between \$2000 and \$3000 for hog fuel. Consider at October meeting to raise plot rates, pass the hat or other means to collect needed funds.

### Old Business:

- MCGA Business Calendar and Schedule: Will discuss in November meeting.
- Garden theft: plot resident reported vegetable theft.

### New Business:

- Monarch Butterfly Study: Robin introduced that University of Eastern WA was planning on releasing Monarch butterflies in our garden.

- Grow A Row: Winter growing of crops such as parsnips in fall for spring bee attraction.
- Relationship with KCMGF (King County Master Gardener Foundation) and possible grant opportunities. Kirby will inquire further as to that possibility.

Adjournment – 8:25 PM – motion by John 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Lou, unanimously passed.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted – Carol Johnson – Secretary

Next meeting: October 17, 2018 at 7 PM – Panera - Redmond

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