

**Rose Roots Community Garden Meeting Minutes**  
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**Tuesday July 6, 2021, 6:00 pm, Location: RR Garden**



Steering Committee Attendance					
Erin Newton, President		Kendra Eliason, Membership		Jim Richards, Operations	
Patty Sacks, Vice President		Laura Bennett, Administrator		Gary Williams, Operations	
John Malito, Treasurer					

**6:00 Call to Order-RR Mission:** To restore bonds between people, food and nature and to work together to create a better local food system for future generations.

**Officer Reports**

**President**

- Thank retiring Treasurer and welcome new Treasurer, hand out nametags
  - Leadership picture to be taken at next meeting
- New refrigerator has been purchased and installed in west barn. Please put “refrigerator worthy foods” in their for safe keeping for the delivery team for the food bank
- Waste Connections is visiting garden to locate good spots for trash and recycling bin pick up. Alternative is small dumpster to meet 2/3rds of gardeners preference in waste management survey.
- Meeting with Deputy Parks director tomorrow to review westside project
- RR Info flyer: 5 Ways to Show Garden Love, QR code to log Service Hours (in barn). Please scan the code to your phone for valuable information
- Music event went well with Tim Merkel, appx 40 attendees and Youth Group projects well received, compost trainings went well. Service Dogs talk was canceled due to rain.
- Service Teams: over 30 people have signed up for teams, their contact info has been shared with the team leads.
- RR selected to participate in 3 year Pollinator Study (through NCSU)-focus on cucumbers
- RR Apparel on its way from ShirtWorks.
- Only 3 plots haven’t been fully planted, a huge garden success! VP Patty is following up to see how we can help
- Produce donations: Revised Sign-ups for Food Donation and tracking can be found on new “Produce Donation” page on website. Leave in barn Monday and Thurs before 8:30 am for pick-up

**Vice President**

- Thurs Work Day coordination with Patty Sacks and Julie Lesnick: every other Thurs
- kick-off meeting for Westside Landscaping project went well-we have a 3<sup>rd</sup> concept sketch and community meeting tomorrow at 6 pm.
- Need help with moving manure from local ranch on July 17th or 24th (email [pjsacks@gmail.com](mailto:pjsacks@gmail.com)).

**Treasurer Report**

- John Malito presented budget numbers for the year (Fiscal for RR=Calendar). Our budget has balanced and numbers can be found on our website.

**Membership Report**

- Making online Google form for sign-ups for 2022 Plot Wait-List for new gardeners which will open in January.
- Over 400 Service Hours logged online.
- notebook will be tallied for a total count too mid year
- GREAT participation and enthusiasm
- Christi Morin suggested a “buddy system” for new gardeners. Christi is the lead for the NE corner of the garden and will be bringing her ideas to her quadrant.

**Administrator**

- Looking into shading “sails” for the garden pavillion

**Operations**

- A few ADA plots will be “rebuilt” in the off season
- Fans for the rooftop of the west barn were approved and will be installed
- A lawnmower garage was discussed and will continue in future meetings

**Leads Reports (Eg. Produce Donation, Youth Group, Community Outreach, Community Spaces, Compost)**

### Upcoming Dates

- **Wed July 7, 6 pm:** Westside landscaping Project community Open House meeting
- **Thurs July 8, 7 pm: Workshop:** Patty's Garden Roving Tips and Tricks
  
- **Sat July 10, 1 pm: Workshop:** Buzz About Bees Pollinator Focus, Nicole McCrorie
- **July 15th,** Music at the Garden-Kelan Spinden
- **July 24, 7:30 pm: Movie at the garden! "Kiss the Ground" and a kids opener**
- **Monday Aug 2, 6 pm:** Next RR Monthly Meeting
- **Thurs Aug 19, 7 pm:** Music at the garden: Laurie Dameron

Note: Pollinator Garden Breakfast Work Parties every Sunday 8-10 am

Note: Every other Thurs at 6 pm we have Work Parties with leads Patty and Julie at 6 pm. Check calendar!

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM**