

**Schuylkill River Park Community Garden Steering Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Markward Recreation Center**

**Thursday, November 10, 2016 7:00- 8:00 PM**

**Minutes Submitted by:** Nicole Gortian, Secretary

**Present:** Carol Eaton (E-7), Jane Epstein (G-3), Christine Guiliano (G-2), Nicole Gortian (J-6), Alan Cohen (C-7), Wayne Rosenberger (E-5), Laurie Taylor (E-04), Joan Wells (H-2), and Linda Zaimis (K-5), Barbara Halpern (on behalf of CCRA)

Not Present: Lillian Cohen (E-2), Tom McKeon (D-4), Steve Slaterbeck (H-06), and Jim Wells (J-7)

Recorded by Nicole Gortian, Secretary.

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action/Responsible Party/ Timeline</b>
Call to order & Approval of Minutes	There were no further comments on the minutes for October.	Nicole will post on website and garden BB.
Treasurer's Report	There were three bills: Two from Rittenhouse Hardware and one for the grill. We received a \$500 check for the history project. Finances are looking good.	
New Business	<p><b>One Riverside Construction:</b> One Riverside has planted the plants they agreed to as a result of the disturbance due to the wall. The plants weren't planted very well and we are following up with them to make sure it is done appropriately.</p> <p><b>CCRA:</b> There are two events coming up. Book event on Monday December 12<sup>th</sup> and Girls Night Out on November 14<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p><b>Succession Planning:</b> Joan has volunteered to take over as treasurer next year. Laurie will work with Jim on wait list. Lillian will be taking over wait list plots. Still need someone to take over as secretary. We will also need to identify new people to join the steering committee since three people are leaving this year.</p> <p><b>Annual Meeting:</b> Alan will coordinate speaker for the annual meeting. Possibly a topic similar to last year or the history project.</p>	<p>Joan will coordinate with our contact at One Riverside to fix this.</p> <p>Nicole will laminate and post flyers on garden BB.</p>
Committee Reports	<b>Plot Use:</b> One plot that has ongoing issues since last June about neglecting garden was discussed. In accordance with the rules, the gardener will be notified of termination of lease.	Jane will communicate with gardener.

	<p><b>City Harvest:</b> 920 pounds have been donated to City Harvest so far this year.</p> <p><b>Community Garden Contest:</b> There is a reception from 6-8pm on November 14<sup>th</sup> at the Horticulture Center for winning the community garden contest.</p> <p><b>Parkside Plantings:</b> The workday cleaning of the parkside plantings looks great. We need two more homes to house the potted flowering plants near the cistern for the winter.</p> <p><b>Work Day:</b> A lot of work got done during the work day and the garden looks great! Attendance: 20 plots did not show up. There are things that could be done as make up: the grapes need to be cut back, Joan could use help on parkside plantings, someone can volunteer to take the trash out in the upcoming weeks since weekly chores has ended, and rake up leaves. Two of the people that didn't show up, had already missed a prior work day.</p>	<p>Joan will attend.</p> <p>Joan will work with Steve to find homes for all plants.</p> <p>Carol will reach out to gardeners that did not show up about makeup chores.</p>
New Business	<b>Next Steering Committee</b> Thursday December 8.	