

## Schuylkill River Park Community Garden (SRPCG) Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

**Location:** Markward Rec Center

**Monday, September 11, 2023 7:00-8:10pm**

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**Minutes Submitted by** *Cerie Goldenberg*

**In Attendance:** Steve Slaterbeck, Cricket Brosius, Chris Bullard, Dave Peachey, Linda Zaimis, Cerie Goldenberg, Jesse Cohen, Diane Frankel Scott Farrington, John Wagner, Bhavisha Patel

**Absent:** 0

**Guest:** 0

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Responsible Party/ Timeline
<b>Call to order and Approval of Minutes</b>	<b>Called to order by Steve Slaterbeck. August Minutes approved.</b>	<b>Steve:</b> Post August minutes on SRPCG website <b>Cerie:</b> Post August minutes on the garden bulletin board.
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<b>Diane Frankel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Diane provided our annual budget for review.</li> </ul>	<b>All Reimbursement forms should be sent to Travis Oliver, at CCRA. (<a href="mailto:twoliver@gmail.com">twoliver@gmail.com</a>) and cc the Steering Committee (<a href="mailto:steering@srpcg.org">steering@srpcg.org</a>)</b>
<b>New and Old Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Discussion about what projects in the garden would improve the functioning and beauty of the garden. Steve recommended using the Garden Infrastructure Report under the Steering Committee website page as a starting point <a href="http://srpcg.org/infrastructure.html">http://srpcg.org/infrastructure.html</a></li> <li>● There were several suggestions including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Replace/repair/paint trellis, benches, shed, table, and compost bins;</li> <li>--Apply sealant to front gate;</li> <li>--Test soil of every plot as recommended by Penn State Extension.</li> <li>--Purchase tools</li> <li>--Convert website to a platform that anyone on the committee can use (Currently Steve - who was trained by former administrator Sally Frazza - is the only one on the committee who is able to make edits to the website).</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Housekeeping email to remind gardeners to: locks on gate and shed, weed around plot, not to use a hose to water plots, cut back plants that are impeding path passage.</li> </ul>	<p>Steve looking into a contractor who can assess, and give estimates. Steve email Raymond at Penn State for estimate. Scot inventory tools to see what's needed.</p> <p>Steve to write email draft. John to send final email.</p>
<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>		
<b>PLOT ASSIGNMENTS</b>	<b>John Wagner:</b> <a href="mailto:LISTMANAGER@SRPCG.ORG">LISTMANAGER@SRPCG.ORG</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No report</li> </ul>	

	<p><b>Chris Bullard: Lottery Plots</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Names will be accepted for lottery plots from January 1, 2024 - March 1, 2024.</li> <li>Names of people (to date) requesting a lottery plot will be sent to Chris and they will be notified of the opening date.</li> <li>Announce via CCRA Newsletter, SRPCG website that the SRPCG is now accepting names. There will also be flyers on the garden gates and the kiosk in the park.</li> </ul>	<p>Cerie Chris to email early requesters that he will notify them of the January 1 opening date. Chris/Steve</p>
<b>PIOT USE</b>	<p><b>Bhavisha Patel :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two plots are not being cared for.</li> <li>Gardeners will be notified regarding their delinquent plots.</li> </ul>	<p>Bhavisha to email those gardeners.</p>
<b>CITY HARVEST</b>	<p><b>Linda Zaimis:</b> <a href="mailto:linda.zaimis@gmail.com">linda.zaimis@gmail.com</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>519 lbs.of produce has been harvested!! The harvest is going to St. John's Hospice and Lutheran Church of the Holy Communion.</li> </ul>	
<b>FACILITIES</b>	<p><b>Dave Peachey:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A hose was replaced in the garden.</li> </ul>	
<b>WEEKLY CHORES</b>	<p><b>Jesse Cohen:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weekly Chore Week has gone well.</li> <li>Jesse announced he will be moving to Florida in June.</li> </ul>	
<b>WORKDAY TASKS</b>	<p><b>Cricket Brosius</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will make a list of make-up tasks for those who have not attended workday(s)</li> <li>Cricket and Bhavisa will check to see if there are gardeners who have not come to work days and not managed their plot.</li> <li>Next Workday is November 4. Invite Raymond from Penn State Extension to present at the end of work.</li> </ul>	<p>Cricket Cricket and Bhavisha Steve invite Raymond of Penn State</p>
<b>PARKSIDE PLANTINGS</b>	<p><b>Scott Farrington:</b> <a href="mailto:scottfarrington@yahoo.com">scottfarrington@yahoo.com</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are areas in the garden where weeds have not been tended to and the weeds are going into the Parkside garden.</li> </ul>	
<b>CHILDREN'S EVENTS/ COMMUNITY EVENTS</b>	<p><b>Cerie Goldenberg:</b> <a href="mailto:Cerie@srpcg.org">Cerie@srpcg.org</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harvest supper was a great success!</li> </ul>	
<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>	<p><b>Website:</b> Steve <b>Facebook:</b> Steve <b>Bulletin Board:</b> Cerie <b>Emails:</b> Cerie</p>	

**NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING: MONDAY, October 2, 2023 AT 7PM AT THE MARKWARD REC CENTER )**