



Hardy Plant Society of Washington

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Purpose	Board Meeting
Date	November 5, 2012
Location	NE Branch Library, Seattle Public Library
Participants	Pamela Perrott, Coral Wilde, Bob Lilly
Absent	Terri Bates, Alice Brewer, Caroline Zebrowski, Grace Hensley, Stefani Cushing

Agenda

1) **October bulb Sale** – retrospective. What went well? What should we do differently?

How much did we make? Kandy says” There was a deposit, and I'm sure it's credit card purchases. It was for \$1250. That means with the cash and check purchases at \$4100. We made \$5, 350.”

We spent 2878.13 on bulbs at Van Engelen and \$360 on signs – I have those numbers because they were charged to Pam’s credit card. Kandy is working on the other expenses, but it doesn’t look like we made very much. We might even have lost money.

Kandy will work to get the rent reduced for the bulb sale as she did for the plant sale. According to their paperwork the rent totals \$860

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\$360	\$55	\$ 245.00	\$200.00

2) **CUH garden**

- a. We got the bulbs planted. Yea! Grace should be making a revised planting diagram from the notes I made while planting. We planted a few additional varieties that were left over from the bulb sale and we moved some away from the really bad Equisetum patch at the narrow end (the north end) of the bed.
- b. How will we intersperse potting up parties and working at CUH?
- c. Bed #1 needs weeding finished
- d. When will we plant the perennials?
- e. When are the next work parties? We talked at the last one and we don’t need the Saturday work parties to be early in the morning now it’s winter. We had them early in the summer so it wouldn’t get too hot. We thought 10-2 would be better for the Saturday work parties during the winter. It will be dark in December at 8:30am!
- f. Is there enough mulch on the Bressingham beds, or do I need to ask David to stage more?
- g. Do we want to continue to maintain the Bressingham beds for another year?
- h. Any other business related to the garden

3) Flower and Garden Show- committee will have the first meeting in November?

- 4) seed packaging – we need a new chair who will store the seed boxes, and ideally make the labels, although Pam has volunteered to make the labels if needed. Bob is looking for someone. We can continue to meet at Shirley Shimada’s for alternate meetings, and Eileen O’Connor will host a few meetings, but she doesn’t want to store the boxes.
- 5) Elections – how is Coral doing on finding new board members?
- 6) Proposed handbook – how is it coming? I saw Grace made a checklist for the bulb sale out of the documents I supplied, and she has asked Kandy to put one together for the plant sale.
- 7) Grace scheduled a training time for the website on Oct 30th but two of the three new volunteers couldn’t make that time, so she will reschedule or send information and let us train ourselves on our own
- 8) Any other business?

Meeting notes:

Even though there were only 3 of us there, we decided to go ahead. Coral wanted to talk about people she might ask to be on the board, and Pam wanted to talk about work parties at CUH and about the plant sale. I have updated my meeting notes about the bulb sale income and expenses with information I learned from Stefani later that night.

1) **October bulb Sale** – retrospective. What went well? What should we do differently? How much did we make? Kandy says "There was a deposit, and I'm sure it's credit card purchases. It was for \$1250. That means with the cash and check purchases at \$4100, we made \$5,350." However, Intuit only allowed us to have \$1250 of our credit card charges and kept back the rest for 30 days. We should see that deposit soon. The total for credit card charges was actually \$4950.27, so we'll see another deposit of \$3750.27 soon. That means we took in \$9100 at the bulb sale.

Expenses:

van engelen	\$2878.
devroomen	\$1042
devroomen	\$1500.
brent & becky	\$ 637.
G&H printing	\$ 54.
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room rental	\$ 400.
signs (yours)	\$ 360.
amante (pizza)	\$ 104.
kidd valley	\$ 61.
bags for bulbs	\$ 72.
Choice bulb farm	\$357.50

subtotal \$7482.50

Profit: 9100 – 7482.50 = \$1617.50

We spent about \$800 on bulbs for the garden, so the expenses for bulbs are higher than last year.

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1) CUH garden

- a. How will we intersperse potting up parties and working at CUH?
- b. When will we plant the perennials?

Bob said it will be awhile. He's slowly accumulating plants. Given we are efficient at planting stuff, it doesn't make sense to have a work party until we have quite a bit of stuff to plant.

- c. When are the next work parties? We talked at the last one and we don't need the Saturday work parties to be early in the morning now it's winter. We had them early in the summer so it wouldn't get too hot. We thought 10-2 would be better for the Saturday work parties during the winter. It will be dark in December at 8:30am!

We thought we'd set them up as tentative and cancel if the weather is going to be bad.

First work party is this Sunday, Nov 11th 10-2 at Kandy's to clean more pots.

Second work party (tentative) is Saturday Nov 17th at CUH. We'll decide what needs doing once we're there, but one item is to finish weeding out the Equisetum. Pam needs to send an email about these work parties. Done, 11/6

- d. Is there enough mulch on the Bressingham beds, or do I need to ask David to stage more?

Bob suggested a weekday mulching party with someone strong to help him, like Terri Bates. Only most of one Bressingham bed is mulched so far. Bob will talk with David about when he might be able to stage more mulch.

- e. Do we want to continue to maintain the Bressingham beds for another year?

Bob thinks we should continue to maintain them.

- f. Any other business related to the garden

We agreed Pam should ask Grace if she's updated the bulb planting diagram yet. She took home the hand-updated diagram. Done, 11/7.

We discussed the banner for the F&G show, and the need for a new banner with our logo. Bob suggested we use two 11/17 photo pages with the logo and HPSW on them and put them at the top left and the top right of the photo spread in the center top half of our booth. We thought that would work well.

Then we went through the list of members, to suggest some people Coral might approach to be new board members.

Then the meeting was adjourned. The rest of the agenda will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Next Meeting

Monday December 3, 2012 at the NE Branch Library, 6-7:45 pm.