

Minutes
General Meeting of the Napili Community Garden
March 21, 2015 – 9:00 a.m.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. Board and garden members present were Angela, Sylvia, Brenda, Larry, Jean and Api.

Angela chaired the meeting.

MISSION STATEMENT

To cultivate a community rooted in sustainability by providing a place for cooperative organic gardening.

Financials and Membership

- Angela reported a beginning balance of \$14,693.02 and an ending balance of \$16,590.71 for February 2015 and provided the report for review. She shared that under “Donations” on the report that it does not include cash donations, just materials, supplies, etc.
- At the January meeting, it was approved to stock the shed with pipes, fitting, etc. for making repairs when needed. The shed is now stocked.
- We have had a bit of a problem with Rainbow Rental (the portable toilet). Rainbow said they did not receive the check that Tri-Isle processed on 2-27-2015 and indicated that we had not paid for two months. Tri Isle has our “checkbook” and is essentially in charge of who gets paid and when. Angela fills out a form for any type of payment and sends it to Tri Isle, who then prepares and mails a check. The form requires two signatures. Tri Isle mails out checks on Friday and the March payment went out to Rainbow on March 20th. Tri Isle will research the missing February check to Rainbow.
- Right now, it takes a week or so from the time the Garden signatures are obtained and the form sent to Tri Isle for Tri Isle to prepare and cut a check. We talked about maybe streamlining the signature process.
- Petty Cash – Receipts require two signatures of Board Members.
- It appears that there are several unpaid plots according to the map, but there are no plots available. *(Taressa, Angela and Sylvia have since met and will give an update on plots at the next meeting.)* There are currently 12 people on the waiting list for plots.
- We talked about the fact that the Bylaws state that an individual cannot transfer their plot to another person. If a gardener wants to give up a plot, it needs to go through the membership coordinator and to someone on the waiting list.
- A couple of plots seem to be rented twice by different people. Angela and Sylvia will work on determining who actually is assigned to each plot. Taressa may also have information on various plot assignments and they will touch base with her as well.
- J14 and J15 are being worked, but do not appear to have been paid. There may be a drainage issue with those plots so maybe they are not officially assigned. There are

three people that we haven't heard from that Sylvia will follow up with to determine if they are in fact keeping their plots and give them a deadline if we don't hear from them or receive payment.

- Currently we do not give refunds if someone gives up their plot.
- We discussed the Food Bank plots and the need for receipts. We also talked about whether or not individuals on the waiting list should be given plots before more Food Bank plots are allotted. The garden currently has berm plots and other areas being worked for the Food Bank, in addition to three or more assigned regular plots. Feed My Sheep reportedly now sells some of the produce and keeps the money (to purchase other needed food?). We do get receipts for the produce we donate, but have no control over whether or not they give it away or sell it.
- We also talked about the community plots and how to identify them for the membership and how to go about participating in them.

Business

- The next General Meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. It was suggested that an email reminder go out the week before about the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:45 a.m.