

Sheboygan Avenue Community Garden  
Date: February 23, 2017  
Location: Monticello Community Room  
Time: 6pm-8pm

Attendees: Geren Zhang, Pat Soderholm, Jim Baumann, Yuhua Li, Cindy Statz

## MEETING MINUTES

### I. Reports

- A. Treasurer: \$11,573.44 with outstanding liability insurance payment and New Gardener Fund
- B. Registrar: approximately 100 current and future on waiting list
- C. Plot Monitor: nothing to report
- D. Time Keeper: nothing to report

### II. Unfinished Business

- A. 2017 Garden Summit recap: summit was well attended. Presentation and resources will be posted online.
- B. Rennebohm Water Service: discussion continues with Food Policy Council, City departments, and Community GroundWorks to see if City will take the lead. SACG is prepared and willing to issue the contract to Pertzborn Plumbing after liability insurance coverage is confirmed.
- C. Formal response to grant awards, committees, and City: waiting to acknowledge Evjue Foundation based on outcome of water service funding and installation. Possible request for repurposing of funds to support garden expansion if water funds are not required.
- D. City of Madison study of additional garden space: ongoing
- E. Planning for 2017 garden: compost discussion, good gardener rules to incorporate into the Handbook for next meeting review. Remove strings in front of plots (safety issue). Strategically replace posts with taller posts and anchor more posts with concrete. Underscore that gardeners shall not enter adjacent plots to access their plants. More instruction on proper spacing of plants with regard to width and height. No white structures. Water application procedures. Perimeter fence shall not be used to support trellis or plants. No plantings taller than perimeter fence; reassign north plots for gardeners who desire plants taller than perimeter fence. See draft Garden Handbook for review at next meeting. Possible replacement of garden picnic tables.

### III. New Business

- A. Garden Aesthetics – see above for inclusion in Garden Handbook; revisit draft handbook at next meeting.
- B. Registration Fees: confirm existing fees cover typical garden expenditures including planned improvements. Statz will send garden balance sheet for 2016. If so, maintain existing fee structure.
- C. Spring Meeting planning; Fall meeting date: look for dates April 4, 5, or 6.
- D. Flower Program: prepare for 2017 submittal

IV. Announcements: Garlic Mustard pull to be scheduled for two events – last week in April and/or early May

V. Adjournment