

The Greenhouse Project Action Group Meeting Minutes

10/24/2019

NAI Alliance Bldg., 1000 N Division St, Rm #202

2:30-3:45 PM

1. In Attendance—Karen Abowd, Jon Ruiter, Cheryl Rotter, Arnold Carbone, Millie Karol, June James, Doressa Williams, JoAnne Skelly, Cory King, Mark Korinek, Jo Kilpatrick, Karel Ancona.
2. The Treasurer was unable to attend so no report was given though Karen had meet with Vicki on Harvest Dinner payment updates.
3. Flower Basket update was given by Cheryl Rotter. 9 baskets sponsored to date. Cheryl had contacted the Squeeze In as well. DBA made a donation to flower basket watering. Arnold would begin Facebook marketing once the Harvest Dinner tickets were sold out. Cheryl was doing a map to scale of flower basket placement as it is becoming a “thing” for folks to stroll in the downtown and look for their basket.
4. Karen gave the Harvest Dinner update. As of this note posting only 11 tickets left. 2 Angel Donors had stepped up and one will be recognized as the first personal donor for the outdoor classroom. Menu was finalized and had been shared on social media. Tara of Computer Art NV was generating final printed format for the event. Auction fliers were shared with attendees at the meeting and flower basket sponsor forms were printed on the back side. Karen would make copies of the brick sponsor sheets also. Volunteer assignments were given... Set Up/Clean Up—Karen, Jo, Cheryl and June; Door—Jo, June; Working the Auction—Karel, June, Jo; Angel Donor Match—Karen, Lydia; Raffle of 2 items—Robin, Vicki, Jon Ruiter would share responsibility; Wine Pouring Steve, Lucy, Karel. Flowers need to arrive by 3:00 and Cory would let Charlie Mann know. Cory and Candi Ruf would set up video at 3 pm. Cory would let Charlie know students must be at event by 4:45. No Culinary students available so Cory would check with Charlie to see if FFA students could serve pass around appetizers. All volunteers would wear TGP aprons and board badges. Karen would bring extra aprons to event.
5. Exec Dir Jon Ruiter reported that only 1 shift needed to be covered for the Santa Fundraiser. Set up and Cleanup each had one sign up but more would be helpful. Jon had met with 7 action/board members for one on one discussions. He continues his weekly meeting with TGP president/Karen.
6. Cheryl reported on the Chamber Mixer and shared the flier she designed with the group. Nov 20 from 5-6:30 is the date and “Attitudes of Gratitude” is the theme jointly hosted by TGP and CTH. Hick’ry Switch would play. Hors d’oeuvres and desserts would be served.
7. Greenhouse Manager Cory king gave his update. #488 lbs produce from Green Central and Foothill sites donated this month (190#’s/Foothill, 298#’s/GC). To date 3,474 pounds of produce given to the food insecure this year. This does not count 800 lbs gleaned fruit. Discussion on how to clean fruit for Food for Thought and Jon R would contact Marlene Maffei about. Cheryl volunteered to wash fruit if needed and Jon would send out a request for this to be a volunteer opportunity. Cory stated that AmeriCorps Doressa was doing a great job; that Kayla had to go to ¼ time due to heavy class load and he had posted the 900-hr. position and was getting great response. IT security issues Cory was working with Travis on and getting a quote for and much discussion ensued on internet speed and options. Mark Korinek said Sky Fiber was in place at

the CHS Stadium so Cory was checking into. Arnold suggested a hot spot but security issues could be a problem. Travis final quote to include IT and camera security. Burgarello would still be security contact. Cory had also gone to CIRCLES Initiative meeting and said they were anxious to volunteer for TGP so Jon will get back to them on that.

8. Will could not attend due to a personal matter he had to take care of so no assistant manager report was given.
9. Under other issues Cory gave Charlie Mann's AG report. Charlie in his absence would send FFA students to TGP Action Group meetings. 187 students enrolled in the FFA program this year. Next week some of his students would be competing in the National FFA Indianapolis Competition in poultry and dairy categories. The Green Hand Conference was coming up and would be an FFA and AG opportunity. The AG students would have houseplants for sale at the Xmas Craft Fair. AG teacher Rebecca Glocknitzer was taking part in the Teacher Turn the Key opportunity. Millie, JoAnne and Arnold would coordinate on a format jpeg for the newsletter to be posted on TGP website. Soft copies would be at Bridge and St Paul's Lutheran Churches. Jon would work on a newsletter link. Karen reported that the HMAF donated \$5K for the outdoor classroom, Mavericks app was going in and Charis Fund meets in November regarding the outdoor classroom. Jon and Josh would collaborate on info needed to complete the Robert Z Hawkins and William Pennington grant applications.
10. Next meeting Nov 21 @ Cooperative Extension at 2:30 PM.
11. Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.