

LONG BEACH COMMUNITY GARDEN ASSOCIATION (LBCGA)
Minutes of the February 16, 2022 Board Meeting

A Zoom meeting was conducted. ATTENDEES: Kathy Jarvis, Carol Meyer, Nancy Bernstein, Mary Sue O'Melia, Sher Meyers, Nina Burgeno, Alan Coles, Anita Cordova, Chuck Davis, Frank Dayak, Dan Freleaux, Milton Johnson, Linda Kayajanian, and Elsa Powell.

ABSENT: Lonnie Brundage.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Greg Marcotte and Doug Mullin.

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	Kathy J. called the Zoom Meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.	Call to order
Minutes of November 17, 2021	Motion to approve November 17, 2021 Minutes by Nancy B. and second by Chuck D. Motion approved.	Motion approved
Report of the President – Kathy J.	No Report.	No Report
Report of the Treasurer – Sher M.	<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Carol M. reported that a tax extension had been filed. LBCGA has invoice over \$50k therefore a four-page tax filing is required. The cost to have this form prepared is \$25. YTD we are within budget. Budget compared to actual expense and revenue items were reviewed. Partners of Park is fund of approximately \$1,500 that may be used to make purchases such as wood for border replacements.	No action
Report of 1 st Vice President – Carol M.	<u>New Members & Vacant Plots</u> – Carol M. reported that there are ten vacant plots. Plot O-13 is in poor shape. Anne S. will clean up and use for food bank this summer. Carol M. will conduct nine orientations. This will leave us with 11 on the wait list.	No action
Report of the 2 nd Vice President – Nancy B.	<u>Plumbing & Borders</u> – Nancy B. reported that C-03 hose needs repair which will be done this week. There are four or five hoses in the small barn. Chuck D. can use the Ganahl Lumber account for border wood. <u>Work Party</u> – Nancy B. reported that the November work party had 31 people present with most of the work getting done.	No action No action
Food Bank Report – Lonnie B.	<u>Food Bank</u> – Anita C. reported that Lonnie B. has plans for food bank plots. More boxes are needed for summer tomatoes. Frank D. will check with Ralphs; Doug M. can bring some from the Honda Center. Plastic bags are good for other types of produce.	No action
Nomination Committee – Nina B.	<u>Nomination Committee</u> – Nina B. reported that she was waiting for applications from a few existing members who wished to continue on the Board. Greg M. volunteered to be President and will get the completed paperwork to Nina.	No action
Orchard Report – Alan C.	<u>Orchard Report</u> – Alan C. reported that coyotes have been eating the persimmons and irrigation system tubing. A suggestion was made to put hot sauce on the plumbing to keep coyotes away.	No action

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<p>Old Business:</p> <p>1) Eagle Scout Project</p> <p>2) Website</p> <p>3) Security Update/ Inventory Equipment & Supplies</p>	<p><u>Eagle Scout Projects</u> – Dan F. reported that an Eagle Scout is working on a presentation to his troop and attempting to get donations for a tool holder project.</p> <p><u>Website</u> – Alan C. reported that he had updated the website for newsletters and new guidance to gardeners regarding disease and weeds. We need to notify members of Board Meetings and add Board Meeting Minutes. Mary Sue will provide minutes from the most recent three meetings for upload by Nina B. to the website. Alan requested that a new section be added to the website for the Orchard. Nina B. will send Dropbox info to Board Members to use for uploading documents (e.g., Board Meeting Minutes). Motion by Carol M. and second by Chuck D. to create a new section in the LBCGA Website for the Orchard and to upload Board Meeting Minutes to the “About Us” section of the website. Motion approved.</p> <p><u>Inventory Equipment & Supplies</u> – Carol M. asked for volunteers for Sunday at 12:30 p.m. to inventory items in storage sheds, using format provided by Alan C. Greg M., Doug F., Nancy B., and Milt J. volunteered to assist Carol. Chuck D. will inventory new supplies in his garage and provide photos. Frank D. keeps tools for critter control in his truck. Alan C. and Nancy B. have items for inventory as well.</p> <p><u>Security Update</u> – The generator was not sold so probably okay to keep in the shed. Nancy B. and Milt J. will work on an alarm/noise-maker for the Green Shed. A motion detector and light will also be considered. Kathy J. and Carol M. have security camera feed on their phones. Police have been patrolling the garden nightly.</p>	<p>No action</p> <p>Motion approved</p> <p>No action</p> <p>No action.</p>
<p>New Business:</p> <p>1) 2022-23 Renewals</p> <p>2) Future Board Meetings</p> <p>3) Green & Tan Shed</p>	<p><u>Renewals</u> – Carol M. noted that renewals are due April 30th. There are a number of members who need to attend to one of the two remaining work parties to get their volunteer hours in, or pay \$25 per missed hour. For 2022-23 it was noted that stinging nettle is a banned plant and that the cost per member for replacement hoses (cost shared by four people) is \$10 rather than \$8 due to an increase in the cost of hoses.</p> <p><u>Future Board Meetings</u> – Kathy J. brought up the issue of Saturday in-person meetings versus Zoom meeting on a week night. Motion to continue with Zoom night meetings by Carol M. and seconded by Nancy B. The Annual General Meeting would be in the Garden Gazebo in April. Meeting notices need to be published on the bulletin board at the entrance and in the Gazebo. Carol M. suggested that an open forum for members be added at the beginning of the agenda for future meetings.</p> <p><u>Green & Tan Shed</u> – Alan C. noted that a welder is needed to fix the Tan Shed. Victor in P-18 may be able to help with this repair and Alan will contact him. Doug M. may be able to look into an alternative welder if needed.</p>	<p>No action</p> <p>Motion approved</p> <p>No action</p>

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New Business (cont.): 4) Replacement Chairs	<u>Replacement Chairs</u> – Carol M. reported that replacement chairs had not been purchased since we have not been meeting in person but that chairs will be obtained in the next trip to Costco. Anita suggested that Pullman chairs are good.	No action
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by Chuck D. and second by Nancy B. Meeting adjourned by Kathy J. at 7:42 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned

Draft Minutes Prepared by Mary Sue O. Date: March 29, 2022