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Morgan Hill Community Garden Minutes Tues., July 24, 2018 7:30 PM 17000 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill, CA Community and Cultural Center, Madrone Room

**Board Members:** 

Pat Day President 2019 Mary Mansson Board Member 2019 Ab- John Jenkins Vice-President 2019 Joe Elliott Board Member 2019

Glenn Lattig Treasurer 2020 Jiangyun Ouyang- Resigning

Mary Kellogg Secretary 2020 Kay Meyer Board Member 2020

I. Call Meeting To Order 7:30 Pat Day, President

II. Adopt Agenda Pat Day, President

Postpone VII. D. on new composting options until August when John returns.

Pat adds to have an item to acknowledge the card sent to us from the Fleurs group.

Motion by Joe, second by Mary M. Approved unanimously.

III. Resignation of Board member- Jiangyun Ouyang has resigned due to travel. We will continue with seven board members for now as we look for interested new members. She will be missed.

A thank you card was received by the Fleurs group for allowing them to use our parking lot for their plant sale and they especially thanked Kay Meyer who helped them at their event.

IV. Approve June 2018 Minutes Mary Kellogg, Secretary

Motion by Glenn, second by Kay. Approved unanimously.

V. Hearing of Membership Membership

None

VI. Reports.

A. Financial Report Glenn Lattig, Treasurer, Action Item

Balance as of June 26: \$13,658.27

Expenses: \$25 plot fee refund, party supplies \$78.46, water bill \$181.36. Total \$284.82

Income: \$150 new plot fee Net out: \$134.82

Ending Balance: \$13,523.45

Motion by Mary M, Second by Joe. Approved Unanimously.

B. Oversight Committee Report Mary Kellogg, Information

In mid-July, John Jenkins and I toured the garden to determine where the diseased tomato plants were located. Emails went out to those gardeners explaining the two viruses we had in the garden and directions to remove the diseased plants.

The Oversight Committee met last night and located seven issues with bindweed, other weeds, overhanging plants, vegetables that need to be harvested, and squash bugs. We saw numerous gardens where diseased tomato plants had been removed or replaced, but we wanted clarification from John regarding some tomato plants that still need to be tended to. Last week there

was yard waste and other garbage in the recycling bin. I located a Recology poster online with pictures of what can be placed in each bin. With permission from the Board, I can see about acquiring the poster, laminating it, and posting it above the bins on the fence.

In September the tour will focus on plots that need repair. We will wait until after the harvest of current vegetables is complete.

The area around plot 75 has bindweed that isn't under control. Perhaps the next available Garden can be given to this gardener and the MHCG can work and treat this plot until the bindweed is manageable.

## Direction from the Board regarding the bindweed in plot 75—

Plot 57 is open and can be offered to the plot owners. The gardener must reply by August 1 to make a choice of either controlling the bindweed this month and thereafter, or moving to plot 57.

C. Work Day Committee

Kay Meyer, Information Item

The last evening work day had five people in attendance. They pulled bindweed in common areas and added mulch. 21 plot owners have finished all their work days, some others have completed one of the two work days. There are 3 plot owners from last year that still owe work days from last year. (371, 5, and 71) The next work day is August 16 in the evening from 6:30-8:30. On Saturday, September 15, there will be a morning work day.

D. Education Committee

Sherrie Wren, Information Item (no report)

E. Garden Relocation Committee

No news at this time

F. Suggestion Box Comments

None

John Jenkins, (information sent to Pat)

Pat Day, Information Item

#### VII. Old Business

A. Wait List Pat Day, Information Item

There are 7 on the waitlist for small plots. (2 left, but wanted to be put back on waitlist) Eventually plot 75 will be available to someone who wants to agressively work the plot. Pat suggests a new policy change- A potential new gardener on wait list has two days to accept the plot, or will go to the end of the wait list and it will be given to the next person. (This will be discussed below under Policy revisions.)

B. Website

Shauna Rios, Information Item-

No report

### C. Spring Potluck

Mary Mannson, Report

Mary's comments:. Additional tables were good. A mister for next year would be good if we have excessive heat again. Some newer gardeners attended. Pat suggests an April or May date. 6-8 pm in June could be an option if it is hot. We will continue the event for whoever is able to attend. Pat thanked Mary M. for her work organizing this event. Board suggestions from last meeting: 9-11 am event BBQ, tarps over shade structure, meat provided by the Garden. Pat would like to see more plot owners attend.

D. New Composting Options Postponed to next month.

John Jenkins

E. VTA trees.

John Jenkins, Report (info sent to Pat) VTA will trim the trees. If a gardener could be there when they come, it would be good

#### VIII. New Business

A. Bylaws and Policies 2019

Pat Day, Discussion Item

Glenn will edit the San Jose Community Garden rules and regulation to fit the MHCG policies. He will send it to all board members before the next meeting. Mary will update the Bylaws with the appendices moved from our Policies to the Bylaws. We will approve the Bylaws and Garden Policies at the August meeting.

Motion by Mary M, Second by Glenn.

to suggest to trim back as much as possible.

Approved unanimously.

B. Ballot for November 2018

Pat Day

Our General meeting, potluck, and election will be on Nov. 13 at 6:30 pm.

Pat's thoughts: Solicit candidates for a total of 9 members: We need a President, Vice President, and 4 board members. Those interested will need to submit their intent to run and statement for the ballot by October 5. Ballots are to be sent out by October 12. There will be a place at the top corner for the plot number which will be torn off before the tallying team counts ballots. Every garden plot gets a ballot with one vote. Ballots will be emailed to garden plot holders and some will be available at the garden. If mailing, mail early enough so the ballot will arrive at the Garden post office box by Nov. 12. Another option is to attend the general meeting and potluck on November 13 and bring your ballot.

IX. Adjournment 9:02 Pat Day, Action Item

Next Board meeting: August. 28, 7:30 pm at the CCC

Next agenda items to include:

Policies and Bylaws revisions: Glenn and Mary K's documents. Compost plan discussion (agenda item in August with John), September potluck event planning.