

Board Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2011, Called to order at 2:00 PM

Board Members Present:

- X Chris Voss, President
- X Kathryn Baecht, Secretary
- X Don Brennecke, Treasurer
- X Alan Richard, President Elect
- Cathy Cox, Board Member (2 year)
- Micki Wright, Board Member (2 year)
- X Scott Lipsett, Past President, Board Member (1 year)
- Nathan Melson, Past President
- X Paula Brennecke, Guest
- X Faye Wedell, Board Member (1 year)

Treasurer's Report: Don reported that he now has the checkbook from John. Also, it is time for the audit (these happen every five years). Don stated that he is on top of it and prepared to guide us through the process.

We have a balance of \$528.30 in the bank plus \$10.38 in petty cash, plus \$6 donated at the last Films and Forums. However, the Brennecke's have totaled their receipts for purchases they made on CORE's behalf in the past year and found that they are owed approximately \$710.

Faye suggested raising money by selling chances on gift baskets at the Earth Day event in Sherman. They did this last year and raised about \$350.

Secretary's Report: Approved as distributed via e-mail

Proposed Bonham Community Garden:

Scott raised concerns about possible bad weather coming the night of the garden meeting (February 8th), and it was decided to cancel and reschedule. (After the meeting, Faye was able to book the Elizabeth May Room for February 22nd at 7pm for the new meeting date).

Chris and Kathryn planned to attend the Master Gardeners' Meeting and present information about the garden and ask for whatever support they can give. Kathryn will reschedule her interview on KTEN. Everyone planned to inform everyone they had invited that the meeting date is changed. Everyone agreed that it would be a good idea to canvass again if possible.

Kathryn agreed to create a questionnaire to put into people's chairs at the meeting, and will send it out for review. She also agreed to put together a slideshow of pictures of community gardens to be shown as people are arriving at the meeting. Chris will get photos of the proposed sites to be used in the slideshow as well.

Chris agreed to look into the grant that Paula found for a tiller/cultivator.

An agenda for the garden meeting was planned as follows:

Welcome and Introduction- Chris

(Including explaining what a community garden is and its benefits)

Popcorn Question-Alan

(to get an idea of people's interest/skills/levels of commitment)

Business-Chris

- Provide information about three possible sites, discuss, choose site
- Decide on an online method of communication
- Solicit volunteer(s) to work on agenda for next meeting
- Pick a date for the next meeting

Denison Farmer's Market

Chris reported that Kat Adair, who is a board member of Downtown Denison, Inc, contacted him. She is involved in the initial steps of getting a farmer's market started in downtown Denison. Currently, she is looking into two possible locations: Heritage Park on Main Street and a lot just off Main Street that has an awning already on it.

It was agreed that CORE could support this endeavor by posting information about it on our website and contacting members of the Texoma Grown Directory, as well as passing on information to our membership.

Respectfully submitted:

 Kathryn Baecht, Secretary