

## **WWFRF Board Meeting**

**October 22, 2011 10am – 4:00pm**

**Held at 2637 30th Ave W , Seattle.**

Board members present: Sue Williams, Sarah Graham, Kristan Johnson, Sam Benowitz, Bob Baines, Shirley Kropp, Walt Kropp, Kim Siebert, Jay Scott, Christy Nieto, Mike Ewanciw,

Guest: Carol Miles

Other members: Leif Abrahamson

**Treasurer's Report** – Walt – So far this year we have taken in about 50% of what we took in at this point last year. We currently have \$5686 in the general fund. Kim motioned that we accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Bob. Passed.

**Membership** – Christy – We have 172 current members, down 120 from last year. Bob motioned that we allocate funds for the appropriate committee to send out a renewal request to lapsed memberships once a year. Seconded by Shirley. Shirley motioned that we accept the membership report, seconded by Bob. Passed.

**Endowment** – We are continuing to move forward on setting up the endowment.

**Marketing Committee** – Bob – Bonnie and Christy will help Bob on marketing ideas.

**Board member re-elections** – Kim, Kristan and Christy will continue to serve, Walter and Shirley will not be continuing as board members after their terms expire in March, 2012. We will need a new Treasurer and Coordinating Secretary. Shirley motioned that we keep the board membership at 15. Seconded by Bob. Passed. Current actual members of the board is at 12, with 3 open positions.

**Cherry project** – The cherry block in the research field will continue to be unavailable for picking by members as it is being used in the SWD research project for the next 5 years. Kristan motioned that we approve the Cherry project plans as presented. (See the attached proposal.) This will establish a cherry block in the Fruit Garden for research, display and sampling. Seconded by Sam. Passed.

**Budget** – Walt presented the draft budget for 2012. After several changes were made Kristan motioned that we accept the budget as amended. Seconded by Christy. Passed. The amended budget will be available for viewing on our website. The approved 2012 Budget is attached to the minutes.

**Purpose** – More changes and additions were made to the purpose implementation plan through suggestions by board members.