

WWFRF Board Meeting

February 11, 2012 1:13pm – 4:00pm

Held at 500 Westlake in Seattle

Board members present: Sue Williams, Kristan Johnson, Bob Baines, Kim Siebert, Sam Benowitz, Walter Kropp, Shirley Kropp. Mike Ewanciw, Jay Scott, Bonnie Swanson, Bill Davis, Sarah Graham

Other WWFRF members present: Rachel Petrich

Guests: Carol Miles

Treasurer's Report – Walt - Income is down 5K from last year. Thank you to Georgene Lee, Rachel Petrich, Mike Ewanciw, Walter Kropp and Shirley Kropp who are on the finance committee. Walt reviewed the financial report. Kristan motioned that we accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Bob. Passed unanimously.

Membership - PR campaign by publicity committee Sarah, Bob, Christy and Mike to report at next board meeting. Shirley to send old blurbs to Sarah, Mike, Carol, and Rachel for the Winter Field Day for PR.

MOU - We need to have some way of reminding ourselves that we need to start working on a new MOU in 2014.

Motions at Meetings - We need to have a review of passed motions from the last couple of meetings.

City Fruit – Gail Savina - City Fruit is 3 years old. They harvest and sell fruit and have classes for homeowners. They have trained volunteers to take care of trees in parks, and have expanded to nine parks. Carol Miles needs a list summarizing the activities or goals of various organization such as WWFRF, City Fruit, and WCFS for the County extensions. Sue, Bill, Gail and Bob are to help organize the information.

Cherry Block – Carol Miles stated that the cherry block will not be used for research this year. We may use it for our cherry day with an educational emphasis but we need to help with the costs of maintaining it. Kristan motioned that we support the cherry block with \$500, seconded by Bob. Passed unanimously. It will be decided if we will charge extra for cherries or ask for donations to raise the \$500.

Pro Bono attorney – Shirley said that the Pro Bono attorney we were going to be working with is no longer available. Bob motioned that we continue to work to get a now Pro Bono attorney, seconded by Sarah. Passed unanimously.

Plum trees – The fruit set on the plum trees was very poor the last two years so the research will continue into 2012 and then be discontinued.

Research – Carol Miles asks us to let her know our ideas on what research we would like to see being done.