NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY GARDEN SOCIETY



Annual General Meeting Minutes

7:00pm, Wednesday February 19, 2014 St. Andrews Church 1044 St. Georges Ave. North Vancouver, BC CANADA

Board members in attendance: Emily Jubenvill, Marj Carroll, Sharon Davis, Corree Laule, Maja Regehr, Elizabeth Brodie

Total number of voting members present: 55

1. Welcome, call to order, quorum and opening remarks (Maja Regehr)

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m.

Quorum for our membership was achieved.

2. Approval of Agenda (Maja Regehr)

MOTION: that the agenda be accepted as presented. moved by <u>Isabelle Howells</u>, seconded by <u>Sylvia Cromack</u> All in favour, motion **CARRIED**

3. Approval of 2013 Minutes (Maja Regehr)

MOTION: that the minutes of the 2013 AGM be approved / be accepted. moved by <u>Sharon Davis</u>, seconded by <u>Daren Toppin</u>
All in favour, motion **CARRIED**

4. Review of annual report (Maja Regehr)

See attached document for Annual Report. We would like to reiterate the fact that the society really values input from the membership. Please let the coordinators or northshorecommunitygardens@gmail.com know if you have any ideas, suggestions or know of possible funding opportunities to support community gardens on the North Shore.

MOTION: that the annual report be accepted as presented. moved by <u>Elizabeth Brodie</u>, seconded by <u>Sharon Davis</u>
All in favour, motion **CARRIED**

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5. Treasurer's report and approval of the financial statements (Sharon Davis)

See attached document for Treasurer's Report.

MOTION: that the Financial Statements for 2013 be accepted.

moved by Sharon Davis, seconded by Sylvia Cromack

All in favor, motion CARRIED

6. Proposed garden plot increase (Maja Regehr)

The board is requesting an increase in garden plot fees from 35 cents to 45 cents per square foot. This increase is necessary as we need to plan for the long-term maintenance of the gardens. While granting agencies like to provide donations for new garden construction, during the past year we have become aware that it is nearly impossible to find money for maintenance of existing gardens as we've unsuccessfully sought money for the replacement of the Lillooet compost bins. Since our long-term goal is to keep the gardens open we must now plan ahead and make sure the funds are available for their ongoing maintenance.

MOTION: that the proposed garden plot fee be increased from 35 cents to 45 cents per square foot be approved.

moved by Sylvia Cromack, seconded by Marj Carroll

All in favor, motion CARRIED

7. Board nominations and elections (Maja Regehr)

The following nominations were received for:

Vice President: Sylvia Cromack

Secretary: Corree Laule

Director: Emily Jubenvill, Trevor Kennell

Sylvia Cromack was elected as Vice President by acclamation.

Corree Laule was re-elected as Secretary by acclamation.

Emily Jubenvill was re-elected as EGP Director by acclamation.

Trevor Kennell was re-elected as Director by acclamation.

8. Grow a Row Share a Row (Christine Hardy, Community Coordinator for Edible Garden Project)

An overview of the 'Grow a Row Share a Row' program was provided. If you have any extra produce there are 6 drop off locations on the north shore: The Harvest Project, The North Shore Neighbourhood House, Mollie Nye House, West Vancouver Community Centre, District of North Vancouver Operations Centre, District of North Vancouver City Hall.

(http://ediblegardenproject.com/grow-a-row-share-a-row/)

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There is also the Sharing Gardens (http://ediblegardenproject.com/sharing-gardens/) and Sharing Backyards (http://ediblegardenproject.com/sharing-backyards/) programs.

9. Questions / Comments by gardeners from the floor (Maja Regehr)

Comment: Gardeners are encouraged to visit the Garden Smart website for upcoming workshops held throughout the year: www.gardensmart.ca.

10. Closing remarks (Maja Regehr)

Thank you everyone for attending. Everyone's input is sincerely appreciated and we hope the dialogue and communication can keep going and growing!

11. Adjournment

MOTION: that the meeting be adjourned at 7:43 p.m. moved by <u>Maja Regehr</u>, seconded by <u>Elizabeth Brodie</u> All in favour, motion **CARRIED**
