NHS Greenhouse Stewards Meeting July 14, 2015 3:00 pm in the conference room

IN ATTENDANCE: Rich Boardman, Brenda Eaves, John Gamache, Tracy Griffenhagen, Bob Hamilton and Rachel Robie

June meeting minutes were read and accepted.

Garden Fencing:

John received a quote of \$2,700 for fencing and labor. He is hopeful the fencing will be installed prior to the Back to School Picnic on August 27th.

Supplies/Material:

Brenda will finalize the list and give to Rich.

Greenhouse "Manager":

All agreed a support person for the greenhouse is necessary for the upcoming school year. It was suggested that a person be sought after for a season (fall, spring & summer) for 8 hrs/wk rather than the whole school year. That person would receive a stipend, much like a school coach, for their time and could choose to stay on for more than one season. Rich will look into stipends that aren't being utilized for this year.

Greenhouse Budget for next school year: John will begin his budget process in October.

Meeting with Ron Christie:

Ron met with Brenda, Anna & Tana on July 14th. He offered many practical suggestions both generally and specific to the Square Foot Garden project.

Square Foot Garden Update:

Brenda and Bob shared the minutes from their July 7th Square Foot Garden meeting.

- Brenda, Bob and Anna planned for the upcoming school year. They mapped out anticipated fall and spring grade level planting in the greenhouse and the garden.

- A group has formed with at least one teacher from each grade level to meet the first Tuesday of each month (one week before the Stewards meeting) at 3pm to offer support, discuss any issues/needs and communicate concerns/needs to the Stewards.
- Bob is organizing a group to complete building/tilling the remaining outdoor beds on July 18th from 8:45-noon.
 - The next Square Foot meeting is August 4th.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 18th at 8:30 am in the conference room.