

**NHS GREENHOUSE STEWARDS MEETING
MARCH 7, 2017
CONFERENCE ROOM 3:00pm**

IN ATTENDANCE:

Richard Boardman, Alison Boudreau, Lisa Coute, Brenda Eaves, Brad Gregg, Bob Hamilton, Carolyn Kelly, Victoria Kilroy, Rachel Robie, Margaret Shoenberger.

THE FEBRUARY MINUTES WERE REVIEWED AND ACCEPTED.

- A shelving unit has been purchased for the greenhouse.
- The possibility of moving growing shelves to Alison's room for growing tomatoes was discussed.
- The greenhouse is officially ready to open. It is clean and organized. Brad will follow up with an email to the staff to let them know it is now open. He will also let everyone know of his availability to help set up grow stations.
- Plants from the sixth grade classroom will be moved outside.
- It was noted that a couple of hoses are missing and one was damaged by a snow plow. Brad thinks purchasing a 25ft replacement hose should be adequate.
- Bob and Brad repaired the rainwater barrel and it is outfitted with a new valve. They would like to configure the other barrel in the same manner.
- Brenda made the suggestion to purchase a hook to hang the hose on. She also asked Brad to continue to water the beds to ensure the chickweed sprouts for easier weeding.
- Margaret would like to plant cannas the week of April 3rd and will provide the soil mixture, pots and plants. Brad will reach out to Mark McFarlin to see if the fourth grade is available for this project.
- Brad inquired as to whether everyone has a key to the greenhouse and if not, he will enlist John's help to make more copies.
- Brenda would like to move forward with ordering the tomato pouches. She would like to order 64-5ft bags @ \$2.50 per piece + shipping.
- The bags will be ordered from the Greenhouse Mega-Store.

SQUARE FOOT GARDENING UPDATE:

Bob shared pictures of the newly organized greenhouse. He included pictures of the new bins and shelving as well as the PVC grow light stand.

BREAKDOWN OF PLANTS THE GRADES ARE GROWING:

- 4th and 6th grades are growing potatoes.
- 4th grade is growing broccoli, onions and peppers.
- 6th grade is growing cabbage and kale.

THE NHS GREENHOUSE STEWARDS WILL RECONVENE ON APRIL 4, 2017

