

NHS Greenhouse Stewards Meeting
May 10, 2016
3:00 Office Conference Room

In attendance: Lisa Cote, Margaret Schoenberger, Mark McFarlin, Allison Boudreau, Rachel Robie, Bob Hamilton, Lauren de Constant and Brenda Eaves

Meeting:

The April minutes were read, amended and approved.

These pictures show the growing projects in the greenhouse and garden in mid-April.



Greenhouse maintenance/ supplies

The second rain barrel has been moved into the greenhouse and both have been cleaned out

Brad and Mark feel they have the control panel and aspirator working. When Rimol was called they were helpful and supportive. The greenhouse seems to be venting properly at this point.

There is a great need to fill the Manager's position. Currently Bob is willing to organize the critical information needed for mechanical running of the greenhouse - lights, sprinklers, vents, heat, etc. He is

also willing to do the mowing and oversee the garden preparation and maintenance until someone is found.

Brenda and Mark will summarize the supplies needed for the Square Foot Garden project and establish a timeline for purchasing and planting for the July Stewards meeting. Hopefully this will allow that person to step into the manager's position with some knowledge of what has happened so greenhouse use can grow.

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Square Foot Garden

Wendy, Mark and Bob prepared the outdoor beds. They are tilled and ready for planting. As of now every student in the school has planted something in the greenhouse or in the outdoor gardens.

1st grade has supplied lettuce and greens to the cafeteria and has also been able to pick bags of greens to take home.

3rd grade got off to a slow start, but now has endive, broccoli and kale in the greenhouse.

4th and 6th grade have planted the outside gardens. 4th has pepper plants waiting in the greenhouse until warmer weather arrives.

8th Grade Tomatoes

Plants are ready to go into the buckets. The supplies are there for the soil to be mixed. Rachel will get some pea stone for the bottom of the buckets.

Little Boar's Head Garden club anniversary - the 4th grade started their Canna Lilies. They are growing well and have the head start the garden club was hoping for. The annual meeting will be in September at the Southward's Fish House. Bob will be speaking to the garden club about the greenhouse in July.

Karen Scanlon will be visiting May 12 at 3:00

Other - 5th grade is growing petunias this year as an economics project. They have 500 plants that will be ready for sale in mid-May. Their business is Zoomin' Bloomin' The money they raise will be used to purchase grow lights and other hardware supplies for the greenhouse.