



Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Jenkins Estate/Camp Rivendale/Fanno Farmhouse Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: May 12, 2009

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Main House

In Attendance

Committee Members: Jan Regnier (Chair), Macie Brightman, Diane Keaton, Jim Metheney, Bill O'Brien, Jim O'Connor, and Willie Willworth

Absent Member: Michael Wong

Staff: Lynda Myers, Lisa Novak, Jim MacDonald & Brenda Peterson

Absent Staff: Allan Wells

I. **Call to Order:** 1:30 pm by Chairperson, Jan Regnier.
The Committee met in the Rhododendron Garden at 1:00 pm. The Committee enjoyed the garden for its beauty and Jim answered many questions about the plantings. And welcome new member, Diane Keaton.

II. **Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of April 2009 were unanimously approved as printed.

III. **Financial Report**
The April report was reviewed and discussed as prepared by the Accounting Department.

MOTION: As requested by the donator, and not to exceed \$50 (which was the amount donated), the Jenkins Estate Advisory Committee gives Jim permission to purchase plants for the rock garden.

Donations in memory of Shirley Smith: Lynda and Jim will ask the regular volunteers of the Rhododendron Society to see if there were any special plants that Shirley liked. Jim will contact Diane's acquaintance to see if there are any plants that can be purchased for the garden.

IV. **Agenda Items** **Grounds Report –Allan**

- Jim is planting the annual annuals with the assistance of the Aloha Garden Club.
- The lighting project along the bridal path is near completion. This project will allow for much needed lighting between the Main House and the Pump House.
- Normal mowing, blowing and trimming.
- The Lilac Garden is in full bloom. It's a grand garden this time of year.

Superintendent's Report – Lisa

- Lynda has contacted Cynthia Payne’s family and they are very honored at the request for naming the playground structure in her memory. Lisa will get more information on the details of possible purchases and event dedication dates.
- The recommendations of the Advisory Committee Task Force will go to the Board of Directors in June.
- Challenge Grants: It is possible to match THPRD funds with equal dollars, volunteer hours and its equivalent in dollars saved, and any grants received all associated with a specific project.
- Giving Garden: A staff garden has been established at the HMT Complex (near the maintenance compound). This garden is supported by THPRD staff’s voluntary hours and dollars. All produce will be donated to the Sunshine Pantry.

Center Supervisor Report – Lynda

- Rhododendron Show: the bench was dedicated to the Tualatin Valley Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society in honor of their many years of volunteer service in our Rhododendron Garden.
- Barefoot Quilt Show: many families enjoyed meeting Clara and touring the Stable with all of the beautiful quilts. The plant sale has a wonderful location near the Main House and the artisans enjoyed their time near the Main House as well. The Tea was well attended and the dessert café had many visitors.

Upcoming Events

August 4	Summer Celebration Concert with Michael Allen Harrison & Friends
August 14-16	Fanno (& Denney family) Farmhouse Open House
October 8-11	Painters Showcase
October 31	Spooktacular
December 2, 5, & 8	Holiday Tea

New Business: Committee Reports

Herb Garden:

- The Aloha Garden Club has come to Jim’s rescue and has been in the garden many hours this past month.
- Scented Geraniums have been planted.
- The “Welcome” sign has been posted in the kiosk.

Rhododendron Garden:

- The initial research on the American Rhododendron Society website has been completed. More tasks to come, but in the meantime, this project has been tabled. The regular Thursday volunteers are working on the inventory.

Plant Sale:

- Many rhododendrons were sold at the Plant Sale. It is wonderful that there were only 15 planters left from the weekend sales. Any left unsold by Friday afternoon, Willie will come by and take to their Aloha Garden Club “leftover” sale.

Raffle:

- Five winners were selected in the Living Room of the Main House on Sunday afternoon. Jan called the winners and Gail will coordinate their tea reservations as dates are available.
- Possible changes for the upcoming year are eminent for this fundraiser.

History & Archiving: No report.

JQAY House: Lynda

- Friends of the JQAY House: the first meeting of the "Friends" concluded with many questions that Lynda and Lisa couldn't answer. The Park District's legal counsel and Director of Business & Facilities will be at their next meeting. One member of the Friends Group is dedicated to search for grants, another has experience in beneficiary packages, another has some legal knowledge, there are descendants within the group and there is a lot of positive energy to fund raise for the house.

Interiors: No report.

Other New Business:

- The annual work party in the Herb Garden will be Tuesday, August 11 at 4:30 pm in lieu of our regular meeting.

V. Old Business: None

VI. Next Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9 in the Main House.

The meeting concluded at 2:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Peterson
Recording Secretary