

## Governing Body Meeting

Sat. May 21, 2011 10:00- 10:50 am

Attendees : Jon Pope, Catherine, James G. Ruth M., Brian T., Eva W. Will L. Virginia W, Traci N.; Jon presiding

Agenda: visiting kids groups, kids concerts, box shares

Playgroups / Small children Visits discussion: Questions have arisen stemming from a members request to have their child's playgroup consisting of seven 4 y.o.'s & 2 teachers visit the garden for multiple sessions. Since we do not have a policy regarding multiple-session activities the GB has convened to discuss.

The GB debated what was the difference between class groups & playgroups and children's visits with education content versus visits without. It was re-affirmed that the garden is **not** a playground.

The GB determined that for persons under the age of 16 any group visit that does not have an educational component must have adult chaperones numbering at least 1/3 of the number of children attending and a minimum of (1) garden member to supervise.

Catherine volunteered to draft a set of guidelines for member review & vote.

Approval for this instance of multiple visits: Unanimous approval.

Children's Concerts: This would fall under the already established Event Registration Form guidelines which require a \$25 deposit & garden member supervision. (see Form on listserv or website for additional req'ments.) Approval for Concerts: Unanimous approval.

Formal Box Shares vs. "casual" box shares (not to be confused with a Summer Box Loan): The GB debated the nature of the terms casual & formal share; the definition of a "casual" share was defined as an outside friend/ roommate/etc. planting with a boxholder, i.e. squatting. A formal share is a share that is assigned from the Box Waiting List by the Box Coordinator.

It was determined that the definition came down to the definition of "box holder". That is a person given a non-temporary assignment to use a box. It has already been established that a person sharing does not lose their place on the Box Waiting List; when a full box becomes available it may be offered to them (according to their place on the list). This therefore means that such person is a non-box holder and thus must do 9 open/ service hours annually and has no claim to the box they are sharing. A squatter sharer must also do non-box holder 9 open/ service hours and has no claim to the box, either.

All Box Holders must do 18 open/ service hours annually.

Anyone using a box MUST be a member of the garden.