

Hooper Board Meeting

November 4, 2020

Zoom Meeting

Present: Holly Gowdy, Helen Dalbeck, Amy Owens, Becky Whippie, Steve Dalessio, Karen Galloway, Emma Kobeski, Liz Collinswoth, Marcia Galloway

Holly calls the meeting to order: 7:03pm

Secretaries report: Emma Kobeski reviews the Secretaries report-

Becky moved to approve to accept the Secretaries Report- Karen Seconds- all in favor

Treasurer's report: Amy Owens reviews the report-

No updates for deposits or withdrawals

Balance remains- \$25,159.70

Becky moved to approve to accept the treasurer's report- Karen Seconds- all in favor

Directors report reviewed by Helen Dalbeck:

School gardens:

Harvesting still happening in

Preparing for next seasons

School Lesson Units outlined briefly

Helen will have a table at the outdoor Farmers Market- November 21st

Maple tree is down to the stump- waiting for grinder

On the schedule with CountrySide Alarm- Helen continues to try to connect with them.

Kevin Healy- starting to help Helen with various projects, including taking down the sign. Helen is trying to refurbish but might not be salvageable

Shed was cleared out in preparation for roof prepare

Water will be turned off in December

Estimate for new heating system will be provided by EE Houghton

Recruiting new members-

Some interest from a community garden member interested in becoming a board member, board reviewed the process of becoming a member

\$500 gift from Hubbard Foundation- towards the high school work program- that will go into FOHI

Community Garden- agreed to increase membership and create a plan for fencing

Wreath Making- December 4th and 5th

CAREs Act through the town- printer/scanner and 2 iPads were purchased

Budget will be submitted to Trustees

Becky Whippie:

- 1st graders worked on compost
- Pre-K- leaf activities, pumpkin parts, recycling
- 2nd Grade-harvested popcorn, soils
- 3rd Grade- soils, tree ID booklet
- 4th Grade- Apples

No FOHI report at this meeting

Scholarship Committee- Liz Collinsworth

No updates at this time

No scheduled meeting at this time

Budget-

Insurance cost increase of 6%= \$200 increase

No other changes in the numbers

Amy moved to approve the 2021 budget- Holly seconds- all in favor

Old Business:

Accepted the logo presented and created by Laura Dunbar

Cookie Swap- concerns with this at this time during COVID-19

Inviting FOHI to a Natural creations- make and take from 12-2 on the wreath making dates

New Business:

Discussion of winterizing the building-

Helen to provide a list of maintenance needs for the building to be reviewed by the board in upcoming meetings

Outdoor classroom ideas for Walpole Schools

Brainstorming fundraising ideas

December meeting- outline of programs for 2021

Walker Property- public forum in January

Next meeting December, 2020

Meeting adjourns: 8:02pm

Respectfully submitted,
Emma Kobeski, Secretary