

BSF
Executive Committee Meeting
Saturday, October 6, 2012

Participants

Scott Koniecko
Carolyn Hollenbeck
Judith Tankard
Margot Woolley
Dick Habermann

Scott Koniecko called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM.

Items Discussed

- Board Members must attend most Board Meetings. Members who do not attend most meetings will not continue to serve on the Board.
- BFS will establish a category of distinguished former Board Members, “Emeritus Board Members.” BFS will also create a new category, “Founding Board Members.” These two categories will be included on our masthead along with Officers, Board Members and the Board of Advisors. **NOTE: Following the meeting, and upon further consideration, Scott recommended that the two groups described above be a single category of membership, “Honorary Board Members.”**
- Marti Harmon has agreed to serve as Chair of the Collections Committee.
- An amendment to the BFS By-Laws will be proposed at our next Annual Meeting to permit members of the BFS Board of Advisors to serve as Chairs of BFS Committees.
- New tabs will be added to the BFS Website to enable approved BFS Board Meeting Minutes and Annual Meeting Minutes to be read by anyone accessing the site.
- Lorna will be asked to develop the Membership List based on the data in the mail she records. The Membership Chair will review these entries on an on-going basis.
- The BFS Mailing List will be reviewed by the Executive Committee to determine names to be added or deleted
- There was agreement that the May Board Meeting is important. In order for the June meeting to be efficient, however, items discussed at the May Meeting will not be discussed a second time at the June meeting to bring members who were absent up-to-speed. Those Board Members will be encouraged to read the posted draft Board Meeting Minutes instead.

- To date, contributions to BFS are up 50% over the same period last year, and membership dollars are up 20%.
- Kathy van Gorder (and Caroline Felkel unless she has already done it,) will be required to submit Independent Contractor applications to the State to determine their status with BFS.
- Board Member Julia Leisenring has made a contribution to BFS to fund the removal of a large spruce by the greenhouse. Its removal had been on hold until funding was available.
- The end-of-year Annual Appeal letter will be sent out First Class Mail to the entire BFS mailing list.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Prepared by:
Margot Woolley, Secretary