

Biogaian Meeting Notes 11/28/23

Facilitator: Bonnie

Notetaker: Laura

Budget – see budget attached

The Garden to Table Club is struggling. Part of the garden monies come out of the Garden to Table budget. In the 2023 budget we were allocated money to rebuild our garden gates. Paul made a recommendation for the wood and hinges. The wood needs to be purchased now so that it can dry over the Winter. Since the GTT does not have the money, we will ask that we be able to use money from our budget in the Songaia Association budget. This will be raised at the budget roundtable meeting.

We will also have to purchase goat food.

Next year, 2024, the Biogaians would like to continue the combined **bookkeeping** for supplies.

Reports

- Removal of hoop house plastic. Planned removal of the plastic sheeting on Sat. Dec 2. Anita coordinating.
- Native Forest Garden. Meaningful educational/gratitude session on the Sat. feast day. Interns will be doing some work in the forest over the next few months.
- UW winter interns. Anita is working with UW students for the Fall and Winter quarters. Students will contribute 3 hours per week this quarter and 15 hours per week in the Winter quarter. The interns will focus on;
 - Forest garden - weeding, mulching
 - Plant propagation - seeds, cuttings from Forest garden. Goal is to have a nursery of native Forest Garden plants to share with others.
 - Soil Analysis - comparison from different parts of the meadow
- Forest Tenders. David and crew, along with Journeys folks, cut up a tree which had been taken down earlier this year. It will be split and dried for firewood
- Keyhole. MD and Miranda have been working on a project in the keyhole to terrace along the West slope to the fence.

Decisions

Biogaians have agreed to pay Misty Dawn and Fae \$25/hr to dig out invasive blackberries.

Parking lot

Reinforcement of west fence in the garden. Rabbits are creating tunnels to burrow under the fence near the raspberries.

Next Meeting Jan. 23, 2023

Facilitator: Patricia

Scribe: Mary