

Berkeley Garden Committee Meeting Minutes

Sunday 10/27/2019

Attendees: Katherine, Bertine, Richard, Eric, MeeHee, Miyako, Hiroko, Ira, Christina

Item	Brief Recap	Action	Follow-Up	Due
Walkway Project	Eric reported that the walkway replacement around the north lawn will begin within 2 weeks. The layout for the portion of the new walkway underneath the slope can be adjusted. Please contact Eric to discuss if you have ideas about it.	The narrow garden between the 78 Street building and the walkway will be eliminated as a result of walk replacement.	Katherine to contact Marina who planted the narrow garden.	
Lawn surfaces update	Bertine reported that The Board will figure out how to upgrade our lawn areas. These areas are problematic and complicated because of uneven areas, furniture, and foot traffic and beyond what the garden group can manage.	Update: Peter Brams suggested that the Board look into covering the "pit" area in attractive wood chips rather than attempt to grow grass.		
Urban Arborists	Urban Arborists sent an estimate for our yearly pruning. This year they were asked to include trees and bushes on the outside of our buildings.	The estimate, \$3,065 plus sales tax, has been submitted to The Board for approval.	A pruning date will be set once approval has been given.	
Workday	Two work days were set up: one to rake leaves into piles to be chopped into mulch and redistributed and the other to continue reorganization of the seed room.	The raking leaves work day is November 10 beginning at 10am. Ira and Katherine continued the reorganization of the seed room on Monday 10/28.	More needs to be done in the seed room to store tools effectively.	
Miscellany	The compost bins (there were two) were given to Miyako's community garden in Astoria. One of them is missing a bottom door and filter piece. Suggestion: to find out if Carlos can provide us with some smaller bags for small amounts of garden clippings as well as the larger ones.	If anyone finds these compost bin pieces, please contact Miyako. Katherine to contact Carlos.		

Next Meeting: Sunday, December 1, 2019, 4 pm