

## Education Committee Meeting Minutes for 12.16.18

In attendance: Kathy Figel, Kimberly George, Gina Jamison, Julie Samuels, and Lorraine Kells at CYC-Sidney Epstein Youth Center. Kathy gave a brief history of Edna White Garden with a promise to write-up this history for a forthcoming newsletter or a “Garden Stories” post on the CCGA website. Gina will also write-up a story about Kuumba tre ahm.

Motion to approve minutes for 12.1.18: Julie, seconded: Gina

Gina reported on the conference theme “Gardening and Adapting to a Changing Climate” and gave an update on conference planning, volunteer needs and orientations, conference menu, and timeline of future meetings.

Education Committee budget and responsibility were reviewed. Budget itemized and given to Gina to submit to Angela.

- Revised dates for RFP stated: Jan 4 RFP to be sent; submissions due Jan. 18, by 5 pm. Committee will meet 3:30-4:30 pm Jan 21 at CYC Youth Center to review and to contact any presenters if additional topic discussion is needed, presenter bio information, or revisions are needed. Recommend best RFP’s for two morning sessions to CCGA co-ordinating committee by Jan 24. Jan 25 presenters to be notified (phone and/or email)
- Recruitment and contact of volunteers was discussed. How to comp volunteers. It was determined that a volunteer would sit in on a conference as timekeeper and get a free lunch. Kathy generously offered to contact her daughter with a request to have her daughter’s Loyola sorority sisters attend as volunteers.
- Ed Committee Table Activity – “take away” and activities, volunteers (sorority sisters) at table was discussed. It was determined only one “poll-in-a-tor” grow kit would be offered and Kathy and Kimberly would take the lead on writing a booklet/planting guide for the grow kit. Both would also look into coloring or activity sheets for the Ed Table and donations to cover cost. Bowls of toasted and natural seeds (pumpkin and sunflower) for tasting was discussed.
- Networking during breakfast with garden stewards and leaders to kick it off. The idea was proposed to have a post-it board with conversation starters. As well a “selfie shelf” was suggested and Robert Hart will be approached to make one for in front of banners.

### Discussion Workshops outside of conference

- Fermentation Workshop with Jeanne Calabrese Feb. 2, 2019 10 am at CCGT– Type of fermentation brined vegetable. Cost \$20 and number of participants 15. Set up and registration will require volunteers
- Stem propagation workshop with Nick Michaud, date, venue TBD.
- Julie mentioned several excellent ideas for future workshops. She will present proposals as a future meeting.

Each committee member reviewed their responsibilities for the next meeting.

Reminder: Co-ordinating Meeting, Thursday Jan 24, 6:30 pm at CGT

Motion to adjourn: Kimberly Seconded: Kathy