Education Committee Minutes for February 3, 2018

Meeting at 3039 W Fullerton, 2nd floor. In attendance: Breanne, Lorraine, Julie -Note a funeral the day of this meeting kept most people from attending or delayed their proposal.

Breanne reported on proposals submitted; all commented on submissions to accept 12 workshops, one each morning session and a repeat or an alternate for the second morning session.

Accepted proposals are

- Growing the Base for Every Meal: The Botanical History of Carrots, Celery, and Onions from Antiquity proposed by Sarah Malin –will repeat
- Best Practices to Identify and Manage Soil Heavy Metal Contamination proposed by Andrew Maginot, UI Extension one session
- Getting Started in Microgreen and Benchtop Greens Production proposed by Zach Grant, UI Extension one session
- Planning the Community Garden: Site Analysis and Planting Plan proposed by Zach Grant, UI Extension one session

Not accepted were proposals that were recommended for the afternoon thing Bea wants to do

- Reading and Amending Our Soils for Nutrient Dense Food and Positive Environmental Impact Dr Israel, Lynn Bement, Lora Lode
- Out of the Garden Comes... Perspective, Engagement! Richard Dobbins
- Making Portable Planters: Small Cedar Boxes and Pop Bottle Pots Mike Wallace

Concerns expressed are that the Bionutrient Brix refractometer is a for purchase item and we don't want to endorse or recommend the sale or use of something that would be purchased at our conference. Richard Dobbins proposal was a mix of conversation and lecture without a clear concept. Mike Wallace misrepresented himself.

That leaves us with only four session one, and three afternoon sessions, so it is proposed that Julee offer a workshop on planning the community garden with "grow the people first" and Breanne offered to do a workshop on how legally to donate fresh food to neighborhood pantry or hot meal program and one on composting. A phone call during the meeting to Robert Hart asked if he was still proposing a workshop on compost harvesting. He said yes so that gives us the sessions we need.

Given that no other committee members could attend, the meeting was adjourned with no further business. A reminder was noted that the next meeting is Feb. 6, 6:30 at CGT where these submissions will be discussed.