CCGA Coordinating Committee Meeting Notes for September 19, 2023

Present: JW Glass, LaVerne Morris, Mamie Gray, Angela Taylor, Marsha Wyatt, and guest Adolfo Castrejon, gardener with several traffic circles at 61st & Karlov and 61st & Keeler

Welcome and Call to Order by JW at 6:15pm. Lorraine will take notes. Timekeeper was not necessary.

Minutes from the June meeting were not available. Marsha made a motion to table the reading or acceptance of motions and JW will send the minutes for approval. Lorraine seconded it.

Committee Reports

Resources & Distributions

Barb reported that Resources will hold a Perennial Distribution Friday, Sept 29. A flyer has gone out and volunteers are needed at 8am to help unload the large double flatbed truck at New Horizon. This is another "do it yourself" distribution.

Distributions were held June 23; July 20 met with home chef of Bedford, with distribution of buckets and gloves; Aug 5, a mini distribution at African Garden with stone planers and curly willow available; and Aug 18 when Elite growers and more Home Chef stuff given out.

LaVerne reported on the grant funds Resources received from LVMH. 20% or \$2000 of this gran money will be made available to CCGA committees. Each committee may report what they need and submit a request with a description of their project, the cost, how this additional funding will be helpful, and photos. A final report of how the money was used will be necessary. A form will be available from Mary Fran and will be submitted to her for final decision. LaVerne also stated she has been the recipient of many interesting stories told to her by gardeners. She would like have these captured and preserved, perhaps by communications.

Advocacy and Outreach

Marsha reported that the committee had nothing to report, but she stated she has had many requests especially about water issues, from community gardeners on the south and west side.

Education Lorraine reported that the Legacy Gardener Video Project received a grant award of \$2500 and new elders, Willie Marks of 19tj & Ridgeway, and Juline McClinton of another garden, perhaps Peace in the Valley, will be honored.

Finances Angela reported that she continues to work with committees to facilitate their financial requests.

Communications JW reported that the CCGA garden mapping continues. We still have no way to create a Newsletter in MailChimp without Amy, who has not been available.

Project/Event Updates

CEGA Awards will be given Saturday, Sept 24. Marsha said she would attend and take photos.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Angela. Seconded by Marsha.