

Sylvan Ranch Community Garden Board of Directors Meeting

Agenda - Thursday, July 9th 2026 at 6:30PM via ZOOM

1. Call to Order, Introductions

- Board: Ted, Nilgun, Steve, Patrick, Dan, Laura, Alex
- General Members: Chuck

2. 6 minutes Public Comment Session regarding Agenda items or General Garden Comments:

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3. Approval of the June 2025 meeting minutes-

4. Treasurer's Reports -

- Report approved with amendment to fundraising budget to address 2024-25 expenses were accounted for in 2026-27

5. Stewardship Reports

- All areas have been assigned

6. Administrative Items

- Installation of garden security camera. Do we need a sign indicating a security camera is in use as a deterrent? Yes, board will have signs put on the garden gates and by the dumpsters.
- Several instances where unauthorized individuals have entered the garden, including jumping the fence.
 - Some cameras up but no wifi or power so challenge with quality
- Informal talk by John Naylor on gardening, pests and fertilizers. Possible informal gathering planned in fall (Barbara planning). Gatherings are used to get familiar with others.

7. Membership Status

- New member contact in shared spreadsheet; updated. Make sure most current list is being utilized for communication
- No new applications

8. Garden Improvement Day - Saturday

- Will start a new list; significant number of items addressed during last work day.

9. Accomplishments

- Starting to make large veggie donations: over 800 lbs to date (through June)
- Largest attendance for garden improvement day: 18 attendees, largest attendance in the last 2 years

10. Unfinished and New Business

- 2027-2028 new board member incentives. Would be included in the next itemized budget 2027-28 FY
 - Ideas include reduced membership fees, etc to encourage/ incentivize individuals to step up and contribute
 - Would want to put the vote to the full garden membership; put on board voting ballot
 - Also need to see how much participation/ nominees/ volunteers for board positions. If low, then look more into incentivizing board membership.
- Tool shed painting update: partially completed. They will start final painting at the end of July. Lots of positive feedback received so far.
- Zoom only meetings? Overall more participation on zoom but there is value to seeing members in person and some individuals cannot or don't feel comfortable using Zoom
 - Overall

11. Announcements

- Next board meeting will on Zoom.

12. Adjourn