Helena Community Gardens (HCG) Meeting Minutes June 15, 2023,

Present: Chris Rudmann (Board Chair); Whitney Bausch (Board Vice Chair); Trish Ackart (Treasurer); Ruth Linfield (Secretary); Mandy Blohm (Executive Director); Amie Butler; Les Clark; Absent: Jake Mohrmann

Next Meeting July 20, 5:30, location to be determined

- 1. Minutes from April 20, 2023, approved and seconded.
- 2. Treasurer's Report for April 2023
  - a. Starting balance-\$11,129.90
    Ending Balance—\$9202.23
    Total Debits—\$1965.50
    Total Credits—\$37.83
- 3. Executive Director's (ED) Report
  - a. Most gardens full
  - b. Working on policy for garden sign-ups
  - c. Reaching out for educational events including table event at school and family day
  - d. Looking for a new garden manager for Selma. Currently have temporary manager (Roger) plus still have Kathy as assistant
- 4. Food Share and Other Ex Officio Board Membership
  - a. There was high level discussion among Board Members regarding Food Share Board Member. This discussion was tabled, and Board Members will reach out to Foodshare Leadership to discuss further
- 5. Committee updates
  - a. Fundraising Committee
    - i. no report
  - b. Events Committee
    - i. Bingo Night planned at Missouri River Brewing, date to be determined
    - ii. 6<sup>th</sup> Ward Garen and City Planning Fall Festival which we may want to consider joining. No decisions made at this meeting.
  - c. Gardens Committee
    - i. East Helena Garden, Budget amendment request from Garden Manager Amie Butler of \$1000.00 to cover reimbursement for past years of Spieker Sprinklers (\$250-300), costs for past expenses from previous garden manager (\$255.75), and \$300.00 for more drip line. Request approved and seconded by Ruth Linfield.
- 6. Next Meeting: July 20, 2023 at 5:30