Parkwood Park Committee Minutes March 3, 2015

In Attendance: Steve Elmore, Karna Candler, Joe Foley and Sheri Kennedy

I. Budget

Steve reviewed the current balance of the Park accounts. Since our last meeting we received the Druid Hills Civic Association donation of \$1000. We had a \$500 donation in memory of Hilda Daly from Jonathan Shakespeare and several donations in memory of Mrs. Garner.

After completing our discussion on changes to the spring planting projects, Steve will update the budget with the new plan.

II. Communication

Once our live stakes start budding out, we will submit a short article with photos to South Fork Conservancy for their monthly newsletter.

An article is planned for the May (or April?) edition of the Decatur Focus about the National Kids to Park Day on May 17. Parkwood Park will be participating in the celebration with the Garden-Go-Seek program and will be mentioned in the article.

Karna will create an email to the neighborhood about the two upcoming workdays in April. We will have over 1000 grasses and perennials and almost 200 plants for the bypass area to install on the weekends of April 18 and April 25. We need lots of volunteers!

III. Proposed Projects for 2015

Spring Projects

ByPass Planting: The Trees Atlanta ordering list is updated to reflect recommendations from Walter Bland with Rock Spring Farm (grass nursery). Sheri updated the order and will send to Lauren Sandoval by March 5.

<u>Meadow:</u> The Committee will only plant the area in front of the Carter's house (Phase 1) with grasses and perennials in 2015. Sheri will notify Walter of our order and follow Walter's recommendation on the number of perennials to order. Walter suggested we only plant three different types: gray goldenrod (no, it does not make you sneeze), purple coneflower, and large flower tickseed (looks better than it sounds).

The shrubs and trees will be added along the meadow area as planned.

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Phase 2 area for the meadow will need to be kept free of weeds until it is planted next year.

IV. Miscellaneous

<u>Garden-Go-Seek.</u> The draft version of the booklet is attached. Steve updated the Park trail map that will be displayed on our PGC website and included in the Garden-Go-Seek box.

We will be manning a table in the park on National Kids to Park day on May 17. We will be giving delicious cookies made by resident baker, Becky Vocaire, to visitors.

<u>Entrance to Oak Trail</u> The entrance to the Oak trail will be moved slightly so it is less of an incline. We are also working on adding to the Oak trail so we don't have to climb near the dead white oak. More details to follow.

SFC Donation Form - Steve updated the SFC Donation form to remove the references to any restrictions. Bryan will add the new form to the website.