

Long Lake Central School
Garden Committee Meeting Minutes

3/9/2017

Present: Nicole Curtain, Becky Pelton, Michelle Gannon, Joseph Koehring

1. We are growing radishes, turnips, carrots, kale, cabbage (*Becky P. and students to start inside*), basil (*Becky P. and students to start inside*), cherry tomatoes (*Becky P. and students to start inside*), pole beans, winter squash and sunflowers this season. *We are also going to grow marigolds.* Afterschool program is a great time to gather garden volunteers. Also soil testing needed. Compost to be purchased at It's About Thyme Farm. *Becky P. to arrange a day each week to bring the students from the afterschool program into the garden. 10 bags of compost needed from It's About Thyme Farm. Jean's Day funds from faculty to be donated to garden.*
2. Old Garden - review notes from meeting with master gardener Jill Reid and make a plan. *Committee to cover old garden space with black plastic in order to remove weeds. Once weeds removed, committee to plant cover crop such as buckwheat. Joseph K. to find Buckwheat seeds.*
3. Maintenance of flower beds – volunteers needed for beds by front door (*hostas desired for bed by side entrance*) and under school sign (*Becky P. to care for flower bed under school sign*)
4. High school involvement/ green team affiliation and funding opportunities. *Committee discussed merging Garden Committee and Green Team and becoming a club. Nicole C. to create a poster in order to interest Green Team members in joining the garden Committee. Also discussed composting during Morning Round Up. Committee discussed desire to get all students involved in composting.*

Next Meeting Scheduled for 4/4/2017 at 2:45 in the FCS Room