

Fruit Tree Planting work group meeting notes Monday, November 8, 2010

(notes compiled by Doug Osborne)

- 1.) Bob Gorman join us and shared several points to keep in mind like having good location, drainage and pest management. He will be off in December and half of Jan. and will send an electronic copy of the fruit trees in AK write up. It's a draft and not for distribution. An electronic will come to you and reading it is an action item for all of us. Bob feel free to reply all with that.
- 2.) We talked about developing a low, medium and high (maintenance) levels so we'd have options especially to businesses who may get scared off by the high maintenance options. We also talked about nursery's and Raintree got a lot of kudos – I've called Penny at Garden Ventures to see what's possible in terms of working with them.
- 3.) The Fundraising group is going gangbusters and will go public tomorrow at the SCS wild food potluck @Cent. Hall – please go there at 5pm and check it out. Several events are coming up (like the SCAPS event after T-day) and volunteers are welcome to staff the fruit tree table and make some sales. If you can spare an hour or two contact Lisa Saddleir-Hart. It's nice to have two people. Also a written PSA needs to be developed and turn into the paper.
- 4.) Michelle and Linda committed to go to the Tree and Landscape meeting. Linda said it went well and the group was very supportive. They would like to updated as we go.
- 5.) The location committee shared the list of place that were brainstormed – Linda will e-mail the list out to the group as a reply all. Group members are making preliminary contacts with STA, Sitka Sound Science P-Home, USCG, Cent Hall etc. Plus Davey is checking into the Juneau club.
- 6.) **Our next meeting is Monday December 13th from 7-8:30 at Cent. Hall.**

Updates – Bob Gorman (at Cooperative Ext) and I talked about a 3 workshop model for the spring of 2011. The first on options for Southeast, the second on site selection and planting and the 3rd on pest control.

Right now I think the key is to raise funds and our fundraising group has done a great job putting an innovative plan into action. I'll have one of them reply all so that it's accurate. In any event, Hats off to them and to everyone who is making this happen. Can you imagine 200 blooming fruit trees.

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