

**St. Louis Hosta Society
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 22, 2014**

Meeting began at 1:05 pm.

Meeting was held at the Missouri Botanical Garden and included a tour of the hosta garden.

Phyllis Weidman began the business meeting with a brief history of the hosta gardens at MO Bot.

The St. Louis Hosta Society first got involved at MOBot in 2009. A crabapple tree died and the hosta society provided funds for a replacement. The society also purchased a trough for minis and some hostas.

In 2011, we began to collect species hostas for the species area of the hosta beds. A donation of 12 hostas was received from Jim King, the garden had 17 already, also received other species gifts. There are approximately 35 species hostas and we will continue to try to collect them all.

Mark Zilis is going to inspect the species garden in fall during his visit.

A large tree died in the hosta area and the society bought a Japanese maple to replace it. Since 2009, the hosta society has provided funds for 251 cultivars, a trough, several trees, and many hours of volunteer labor.

Darmon Williams thanked everyone for helping and for donating hostas.

The garden now has 408 cultivars of hostas (originally had only 40 cultivars and 10 species).

A new bed containing Benedict award winning hostas has been started. Our volunteers brought all of these together all in one bed during work day.

Business meeting adjourned at 1:25 pm and members went outside for the garden tour.

Submitted by:

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