Friends of Arlington's Great Meadows Steering Committee December 11, 2006 (Approved 1/16/07)

Present: David White, Mike Tabaczynski, Sandra Ruggiero, John Bartenstein, Don Miller

- 1. Minutes of the meeting of November 15, 2006, were approved. The next meeting date will be worked out by email.
- 2. The next financial report will be done at the end of December.
- 3. Educational Programs: Two classes on vernal pools will be taught at Brackett School on Thursday, December 14.
- 4. Sandra submitted revised drafts of the letters to Waldorf School and LCA for seeking adults to become involved in FOAGM; they were approved. David will sign them and send them out in January after the holiday rush. Proposed edits should be sent to David before that. Susan Curtis is the contact for the Waldorf School.
- 5. The committee approved the payment of expenses for the Japanese knotweed project: salt marsh hay, fertilizer and seeds.
- 6. Big Hole and Dumping Issues: It was agreed that we should ask the Lexington Conservation Commission for approval to put up signs stating that dumping of yard waste or anything else is illegal in that location. The signs would be placed near the edge of AGM at the following locations: the end of Brandon Street, Circle Road, the entrance near Emerson Gardens, and just in from the nursing home parking lot. It was agreed to authorize up to \$300 for five signs (the four above plus one extra) to be made and installed. Mike will contact the Lexington Conservation Commission with proposed wording of the signs.
- 7. Annual Report: Drafts of the sections were distributed for discussion. David will put the pieces together into a draft annual report and distribute it before Christmas. In the meantime, Sandra will send the updated version of the educational section to David. We hope to have a near final version ready by the second week of January.

Respectfully submitted, Don Miller, 12-25-06.