

Master Gardeners Board Meeting

SEPTEMBER 2, 2014

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were: Mary Shepard, President, Linda Petek Co-President, Jane Kuhn, Co-Vice President, Ivan Placko, Co Vice- President, Sue Egner, Treasure, Mary Jo Maher, Secretary, Anne Murphy, Donna Kudlas, Dara Sitter, Marge Menacher, Diane Dougherty and Kimberly Miller.

Treasures Report: Sue Egner

Report for August was submitted and approved

Secretary report

Minutes were accepted. The minutes are current on the website and can be found there.

New Business

October 1 is the deadline to submit the grants for the upcoming year. Separate grants will need to be submitted for the different money categories. We are still looking for ideas for the grants.

Anne Murphy will present at the business meeting the open positions for election in November. The open positions are vice president, treasure, secretary and three board members.

The last two years the scholarship issued to new students for the tech were not used. Marge will call the tech and follow up with them about the scholarships.

A motion was made to make Ruth Fry an Emeritus member, motion accepted.

Old Business

Linda Petek and Kathy Gore conducted the audit of the financials and everything looked good.

The Operating procedures are being reviewed. Mary Sheppard and Kimberly Miller will be reviewing some of the items.

A motion to change the new members core project hours to 12 instead of 24 was made by Dara and seconded by Diane, none opposed.

Education Committee:

Marge brought up a possible date change to the Winter Escape. A new possible date could be January 31. Speakers are still being arranged.

Projects updates

The Community Garden project is looking for someone to lead that project. Ruth Fry is willing to be an advisor for the project.

UW Extension Updates: Kimberly Miller

There are 22 students for this year.

The state has created new manuals for this year students.

Tree ID workshops are taking place this fall. Some locations have openings yet

The AG position recruiting was extended into September.

A new 4-H agent has started.

There is an open position for Nutrition Education Coordinator

Other news:

County Fair attendance fees were discussed.

There was some discussion on the wording for the S.O.P in regards to the project wording revamping.

Linda Petek volunteered is looking into a trip to the butterfly gardens.

Anne Murphy has volunteered to head the nomination committee.

The positions coming open are; vice president, secretary and a board member.

New Projects available

None to report

Next Board Meeting is October 7 2014

Next Business meeting is October 14, 2014

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Maher, Secretary

Winnebago County Master Gardeners