

## MASTER GARDENERS BOARD MEETING

January 5, 2016

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

Present were: Linda Loker, Co-President, Kathy Schultz, Co-President, Bette Hoytink, Co-Vice President, Eric Kropp, Co-Vice President, Joni Pagel, Treasurer, Linda Petek, Secretary, Sue Egner, Donna Kudlas, Mary Shepard, Sandy Mathison, Stanley Meyer, Valerie Stabenow, Jan Wetterau-Houge, and Kimberly Miller.

Treasurers Report: Joni Pagel and Sue Egner

Report for November and December, 2015 was submitted and approved.

Secretary Report: Linda Petek and Kathy Schultz

Minutes from November, 2015 were accepted. The minutes are posted on the website.

### NEW BUSINESS

Linda Loker thanked the outgoing officers for their service to the master gardener organization.

We reviewed the December Awards Dinner and decided to hold it at LaSures again next year. Many positive comments were made.

Discussed a memorial for Colleen Klemp and decided it would be nice to plant some sort of tree or bush in the Parkview gardens as Colleen worked there and at flower arranging at Parkview. It was decided to ask Lil Hansche to pick something out.

Wild Ones is having their conference on January 30<sup>th</sup> and asked us to have a booth. It will be brought up at our business meeting to see if anyone is interested in doing a booth. Joni Pagel is looking for pictures of projects for the Home and Garden Show the weekend of January 22-24, 2015. She will pass around a sign-up sheet at our Business meeting for Members to volunteer to man the booth.

Goals for 2016: Boosting youth education, invasive species in projects, focus on education and how we can work together as a group, tally sheet to report on how we are educating people in our community.

Update on long-term and short-term projects: Eric discussed upcoming project leads meeting on February 16. We also had a discussion on upcoming pruning workshops.

Discussion on Liability insurance and who is covered. Linda Petek will check with insurance company on coverage.

UW Extension Updates: Kimberly Miller

Hearing Loop is installed in conference room. Will help those who are hard of hearing.

Rain garden is being installed on grounds of UW-Extension. Hoop house is also being installed sometime this year. This is a project our Ag-Agent is working on.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Next Board meeting is February 2, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Petek, Secretary

Winnebago County Master Gardeners