

January 5th, 2021 Board Minutes

Start time: 6:04 p.m.

Roll Call: Ed Dombrowski, Bob Kneepkens, Deb Butch, Kathy Procknow, Britton Dake, Deb Voyles, Sandy Golloher, Grace Oliver, Ruth Reztlaff, Virginia Slattery, Mary Moosemiller, Anne Murphy, Kim Miller

Approval of Consent Agenda: Passed 12-0

Consent Agenda:

Secretaries Report: 2 December minutes were sent out for review, 1 brief, 1 received from Sue Raasch

Treasurers Report: 81 people have paid dues. Checking Acct.: \$2489.81 Money Market: \$30096.37

Ended 2020: \$1329.37 paid WIMGA, Balance for 2020: \$705.44, letter will be sent out to members who have not submitted dues for 2021.

Committee Reports: Strategic Planning: Working on plans for members to work safely in their own gardens during the COVID crisis. The plans include monitoring and mapping of bumble bees. When ready, they will present the plan to the Board as well as to Madison.

Education Committee: WCMGA was invited by the OCMGA to attend/listen to M. Meyers for a fee of \$250.00. The Committee declined the offer since webinars are available to us on line without cost. The Committee is also beginning planning on WSSD for 2022.

Project Updates: 2 grants were received-Miravida and Park View cutting gardens

Extension Report: Hours reporting ended Dec 31st, 2020; It appears that calculations indicate a loss of 10 members-2 passing, 8-lack of hours; January 31, 2021-March 31, 2021 Annual Enrollment(everyone must do), February Business meeting moved to February 2nd, 2021 6 or 6:30 p.m. (statewide meeting), Board meeting moved tentatively to february 9th, 2021

Communication: None

Old Business:

WCMGA Board Review for 2020: *Positives*-Finances, Zoom presentations were clear and helped make sense of finances, handling of membership concerns during COVID crisis, Board had communication with all members as much as possible, kept membership in tact, Learned more about budgeting process,

Improvements: Board would like to see more involvement financially from our project partners, Lining up of speakers was difficult due to lack of funding, Zoom could be an answer for future speakers, Board would like to see more focus on fund raising making sure fund raising does not become primary and projects become secondary, Stay in touch with membership, Encourage people to be involved, Do not give up, Keep educational opportunities available, Virtual meetings-Garden Expo

Budget Review for New Members: A review of the 2021 budget was presented, copies will be sent to members who requested a paper copy

WIMGA State Dues Due: Paid (\$5/member goes to WIMGA our state association. WIMGA is not the State program office)

Update of Forms: Forms will be updated throughout the year, A meeting will be held to go through the membership booklet for changes to addresses, phone #s, etc.

SOP's, By Laws: No action need to be taken at this time, Board needs to finish work on the Emeritus/Honorary Status.

Speakers For 2021: Speakers are lined up through May of 2021. Would like to see this moved to the Education Committee.

New Business:

Expectations for Education Committee: Consider taking over monthly speakers, Natives are still the Boards goal.

Update OCMGA Invite M. Meyers Presentation: Discussed during Education Report (See notes)

Secretary Position: Appointed Anne Murphy to the Board Secretaries position ,Approved 12-0

WIMGA Grants: 2 grants awarded by WIMGA-Miravida, Park View

February Meeting Changes: Tuesday February 2, 2021 via Zoom Statewide Business meeting 6 or 6:30 p.m., Board meeting tentatively set for Tuesday February 9, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Indoor Activity: Board suggested having an indoor active (Discovering Your Indoor Green Thumb); Activity will run from January through March. 4 proposed categories with ribbons and recognition for place winners. Activity will be explained at the Tuesday January 12, 2021 6:00 pm business meeting

Adjourn: Approved 7:33