

## 3/3/2020 WCMGA Board Meeting Minutes

### 1. **ROLL CALL** (6:00 P.M.)

Present: Co-Presidents: Ed Dombrowski, Bob Kneepkens, Vice President: Britton Dake, Secretary: Susan Raasch, Treasurer: Deby Voyles, Linda Werner, Sandra Gollither, Ginny Slattery, Petey Clark, Grace Oliver, Kathy Schultz, Linda Loker.

Absent: UWEX Advisor: Kimberly Miller

### 2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** Motion to approve made by Petey Clark, second by Linda Werner. Passed.

### 3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

a. **Secretary Report:** Motion to approve February board minutes.

b. **Treasurer Report:** Deby gave the cash reconciliation report for the period of February 2020.

Profit and Loss shows a \$336.50 gain from the Madison Expo trip.

c. **Education Committee Report:** Linda Werner reported that WE/SD 2021 was successful with 140 attendees and very positive post evaluations. Sold all of the books. Have 2 speakers lined up for 2021 and are readying a save the date for next year's WE/SD. March 28<sup>th</sup> workshop on sustainability and natives has 46 registrants with a goal of 50 attendees. July tentative G.B. Botanical garden trip. Late May/Early June Boerner Gardens and or Milwaukee Domes. Education committee will meet and develop a process for "book reviews".

d. **Project Updates:** Britton reported that the Lead Meeting went well. There will be Project tables set up at the March member meeting for members to sign up to work on any of the projects.

e. **Extension report:** None

### 4. **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Goals and Reserve Committee**

#### a. **Goal-Building Sustainable Ecosystems/Objectives**

Natives: Ginny reported that Kathy Gore's plan is to slowly plant the vacant lot at the Southwest corner of Congress Ave. and Elmwood Ave with prairie plants. Currently, the lot is full of bindweed and thistles. The committee hopes to consult with Neil Dibol regarding establishing a prairie. When the committee has developed a process for this project,

the process will be presented at a membership meeting. Using reserves money may facilitate this project.

3-5 year plan: Ed explained that a 3-5 year plan is needed so the Education Committee knows how to plan their events.

**b. Reduction of membership fees**

Should \$10.00 of the members' membership fee be used, at the discretion of the member, to reduce conference fees, etc. Needs to be non-discriminating and sustainable.

**c. Membership booklet:** Bob discussed the work on the membership booklet.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Door prize/agenda survey results:** Results are: continuing the door prizes and the paper copy agenda.

b. **Credit card:** WCMGA will keep their treasurer's Credit Card with Associated Bank. Treasurer Deby Voyles's is the authorized user for the credit card. Former treasurer, Joni Pagel is no longer an authorized user on the credit card.

c. **Honorarium Jim Neihaus (May):** Brian Huddleson will be the speaker at the May 12, 2020 WCMGA membership meeting.

d. **Business Meeting Speakers:** Education Committee will coordinate speakers for the September and October 2020 membership meetings.

e. **Add Board report to Business Meeting agenda:** Ed will take care of this.

f. **Add communication to Business Meeting agenda:** Listening session for members who want to ask a question or voice an opinion.

g. **Board training:** Tabled

Picnic June 9, 2020 in the Parkview Great Room starting at 6:00PM

State representative: concern

**ADJOURN** Motion to adjourn made by Petey Clark, second by Grace Oliver.

Passed 7:30 PM