

Date 3/7/17

Present were: Linda Loker, Co-President, Eric Kropp, Nancy Karuhn, Co-vice Presidents, Joni Pagel, Treasurer, Ann Abraham, Secretary, Lori Berndt, Sandra Mathison, Diane Iott, Valerie, Stabenow, Jan Wetterau-Houge, Linda Werner, Susan Forbes, Kimberly Miller, UWEX Advisor.

Excused: Kathy Schultz

Treasurer Report: __All in balance \$28,640.37. Books have been reviewed and everything is good. Tax exempt form is updated.

Motion: _____

Vote Yes __, No __

Secretary Report: _Changes made to the minutes submitted to Linda and Kathy

Motions: _to approve the minutes as submitted by Diane Iott, Second by Valerie Stabenow.

Vote: Yes 12 , No 0.

Project updates: _8 more Projects have been approved. Oshkosh Historical Society Morgan House, Park view Flower arranging, Park View Vegetable Garden, Winnebago County Fair, Gardens at Octagon House, Winchester Historical Society, Neenah Library Gardens, Growing Oshkosh. The Wisconsin Vegetable gardens project will not be done this year. Project leads need to look at how worth while they are. If they are getting the traffic needed. _UW Extension has templates available to use to make plant signs for the gardens.

Motion: __Valerie Stabenow made a motion to approve the 8 Projects as submitted. Second by Linda Werner,

Vote: Yes __12__, No __0__

Education Committee Report: _Winter Escapes Summers Dream was a success. Checking into doing something different with the baskets. It has become over whelming for the committee. They had over 90 baskets. May add vendors. Still checking on options. Seed starting workshops will be starting no date set yet. Rockford trip has openings as of march 7th meeting. Filling up fast. 4H is in need of volunteers to educate youth.

Motion: Yes ____, NO __

UWEX Report: _Budget Development & Operating Reserves strategies were discussed to raise funds. Maybe do fund raisers. Ashley is on maternity leave starting Monday. The contact will be Carol. May 16th plant health advisory. \$15.00 charge for lunch and hand outs. Level 2 training has started on line.

WIMGA news letter is now out. Back ground checks have started. Everyone prior to 2014 will be doing the back ground check and every 4 years after that.

Motion: _____

Vote: Yes___, No___

New Business: June 13th is the picnic no meeting. Speakers are Kim Miller for March on tree planting. April will Maureen Muldoon on water. The number of members at large is tabled until April.

Motion: _To adjourn the meeting made by Linda Werner , second by Susan Forbes. _____

Vote: Yes_13___, No_0___