

WINNEBAGO COUNTY MASTER GARDENEER ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 7, 2016

Treasurer's Report given by Joni Pagel.

Secretary's Report given by Linda Petek.

Project Updates-None to report. Anne Murphy made suggestion about buying in bulk for our projects. (such as plants from same nursery, we may get a better price). Idea was discussed by board.

June 14<sup>th</sup> picnic was discussed. So far 92 are attending. Food has been ordered. Door prizes set along with games.

Education Committee Update by Linda Werner. Linda said that the Education Committee would like projects to come up with ideas to promote educational ideas at their projects. Further ideas will be discussed with project leads at their project lead meeting in Spring. Linda reported that the committee would like to offer short workshops during the year in addition to Winter Escapes/Summer Dreams. Trip to Minneapolis was discussed. Mary Shepard also brought up the idea of visiting the plant diagnostic lab and insect diagnostic lab in Madison as a possible bus trip in August.

Extension Update was given by Kimberly Miller. Kimberly reported that we are losing Michelle in the office. She has taken another job with the state. It is a promotion for her. Container workshop was a success. It was organized chaos. 26 attended. Framework for the workshop is started – we need to fine tune. Positive Feedback from attendees. June 24<sup>th</sup> planting for the rain garden will take place. Volunteers will be needed. Money from Hoophouse Project is going to the rain garden. Hopefully Hoophouse will be in next year. We will be planting 1500 plants.

Youth Education – do we want a replacement? Further discussion will be needed.  
Speakers for September and October are as follows:

September – Food Preservation – Chris Kniep

October – Fall Pruning – Kimberly Miller

November – 4-H Advisor – Roll of Master Gardeners as Volunteers.

Garden walks for the summer are as follows:

July 12<sup>th</sup> – Ginny Slattery and Tom Weber's gardens.

August 9<sup>th</sup> – Carter Memorial Library and Vets Memorial in Omro.

County Fair is coming up in August. Sue Bohn is project lead. A \$25.00 award will be given to a youth displaying at the Fair.

New Business – Stan Meyer would like Board Meeting dates added to calendar in Newsletter. We are still looking for a dynamic speaker for WESD.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Petek,  
Secretary