

WINNEBAGO COUNTY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION
TUESDAY Aug. 2, 2022, 6:00 PM
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1. **ROLL CALL:** Ed Dombrowski, Deb Butch, Kathy Procknow, Ruth Retzlaff, Sue Egner, Linda Werner, Jean Reed (Deby Voyles invited as a guest)
6:10 p.m. Ed called the meeting to order.
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Remove garage inventory as it is completed already. Motion carried
3. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. Secretary's Report J. Reed
Minutes were posted to the web site in June.
 - b. Treasurer's Report D. Butch, K. Procknow
Cash on hand in of June is \$4449.31. A check was written for \$25,000 to the Oshkosh Foundation. The check to our scholarship recipient has not been cashed at this time.
 - c. Committee Reports
 - 1) Education Committee L. Werner
Valerie and Linda continue to look at opportunities. Linda is looking at getting the Neenah City Forester to come and talk with the MG about Neenah's tree policy. Jane Kuhn about doing a presentation at Miravida and how that project evolved. Jane thought it would take about 10-15 minutes. Looking for putting on education for the September meeting. Everyone bring a photo of their best plant in their garden and have them talk about it. Looking for ideas to do on Zoom just to keep people connected. (Splitting a hosta, etc.)
 - d. Volunteer Opportunities D. Butch, K. Procknow
Have not received any new opportunities. Between now and September meeting Deb and Kathy want to talk to all the leads to find out if they need more help and how their help is going. Neenah Library is challenged since they only have 3 MG working on the project. Sue Forbes has been in contact with library personnel. Deb said they have not heard from members looking for opportunities and have not heard from organizations if they need more help.
 - e. Extension Update V. Stabenow
Valerie had talked to Chris and they hoped to have an advisor in place by September.
 - f. WIMGA Report K. Procknow
Nothing new since the last meeting that Valerie gave a report on in June. WIMGA is trying to offer more support for associations. With the passing of Byron Hacker, they are looking for a replacement. Ed said there is still not a good communication between WIMGA and UW. Opt out for information sharing of their status.
 - g. Communication Board

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Scholarship Agreement update and transfer V. Stabenow
The board reviewed the agreement and a typo was found. Ed will send it back for revision.
- b. Liability Insurance K. Procknow
Renewal premium is \$299, due in September. This is just for general liability. This policy is covers if we would use a chemical incorrectly or damage by using a chainsaw—we no longer use chemicals or power equipment. Lengthy discussion followed regarding what kind of insurance we really need, whether we will have an association, and whether we should wait until the October Board meeting. The board decided to table this item and hold on paying the insurance until the September meeting.
- ~~e. Garage Inventory K. Procknow~~
- d. Reorganization Plan Update L. Werner
Linda presented the information that the round table discussions came up with. Linda did an excellent job of capturing the information in the Roundtable Meetings.
- e. Hour credits for meeting Board
Membership meetings do not count for hours. If you are a board member, those hours count. It is very clearly spelled out in Onboarding. This will be sent out in the letter to the membership.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Reorganization letter to membership L. Werner
Linda will draft the letter and send it out for comment. The letter will be sent to the membership before the September meeting.
- b. Partner Contacts K. Procknow, D. Butch
Deb and Kathy will contact the partners before the September meeting.
- c. WIMGA grants
Kathy asked about the WIMGA grants wondering if someone can talk to us about them. Grants are due by October 1. Grant money will be used to fund a program or education resource. Communication should go to the liaisons and not the whole membership.

6. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by: Jean Reed Seconded by Deby Voyles motion carried, adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next Board Meeting:

September 6, 2022 Coughlin Center

Next Business/Membership meeting:

September 13, 2022 Coughlin Center

Reminder: Masks are still in effect