

Master Gardeners Board Meeting October 1, 2013

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were: Mary Shepard, President, Linda Petek Co-Vice President, Ivan Placko and Jane Kuhn, Co Vice-President, Sue Egner, Treasure, Mary Jo Maher, Secretary, Roy Anne Moulton, Linda Beaten, Carole Dorsch, Dara Sitter, Pat Behm, Ann Murphy, Diane Dougherty, and Kimberly Miller, UWEX Advisor

Treasures Report: Sue Egner

Report for September was submitted and approved

73 members have paid their dues for this year. There are 23 members who paid last year who have not paid for the current year yet.

Secretary report

Incorrect notation of the nomination committee as Linda and Diana, corrected by Diane to Jane and Diana. Correction made by Diana. Minutes approved with the correction

Old Business

Discussion of the operating budget stating that we should have 50% operating expenses in reserve

The grant letter was sent to the state

Community TV will be interviewing Mary Sheppard and Linda Petek on October 24th for a November broadcast

Review of the Emeritus guidelines will be reviewed

New Business

The following positions are open for nominating; President, Treasure, and a board member @ large. The election will take place at the November business meeting. Officer job descriptions will be read at the business meeting and can also be found on the website. Nominated are Virginia Slattery for President and Kathy Gore for Treasure, running against the current President, Co/President Mary Sheppard and Linda Petek and Treasure, Sue Egner

Sue Egner will attend the next state meeting on October 12th.

December 3, 6:00 p.m. will be the Awards Dinner at Bridgeview in Neenah. The price will be raised an additional \$5 to cover cost

Hours and dues must be submitted to the state by October 20th.

The survey results were reviewed. The summation was that the members are looking for more day projects

Review of individual and core projects will be presented at the next business meeting

Peace Lutheran Church Pre-School contacted us in regards to helping with their side yard. They would like help in educating them and helping getting started

Website cleanup was discussed. The plan is to make the "Member Area" more visible and easier to use. The plan is still to do a demonstration of the website this winter during a business meeting.

Ivan is looking into the post for the new Master Gardening signs. He will work with Valerie Stabenus on how best to attach the post to the signs.

The picnic will be planned for this year. A possible location change was discussed so as to allow us to have it outside with a shelter in case of bad weather.

Golden Troll award committee this year is Ruth Frey and Ken

Education Committee Report:

The trips this year will be to Savannah. Approval was given by the board to proceed with the arrangements. The bus trip to Madison to the gardening expo will be planned again this year. Also brought up was a day trip to buying plants

Projects updates

Nothing new to report

UW Extension Updates: Kimberly Miller

There are 21 new members in training. Kim and Nick will be conducting the training
Kimberly will be one of the speakers at Winter Escape

Other News

Sue Egner is interested in taking over the Accomplishment Report

Next Board meeting will be November 5

The business meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. going forward

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Jo Maher, Secretary
Winnebago County Master Gardeners

