

HILITES: Board Meeting

Master Gardener Society of Oakland County, Inc.

May 19, 2014

Call to Order: 7:10 pm

Attendance: R. Vrbensky, M. Truza, S. Bolle, J. Gramlich, D. Brown, M. Dolan, C. Lenchek, B. Peters,

Team Leaders: Nancy Schmid, Kathy Sobanski, Lavon Cook, Janie Grissom,

Absent with Notice: S. Parrott, C. Carroll, Crystal Castle,

??Absent without notice: Dick Wanat, Peggy Wanat,

Quorum present

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

PRESIDENT: Truza reported. Each board member was asked to state one goal for the year. Goal is to follow through on creating Information Technology (IT) committee.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT: Bolle reported

- A new logo is in development
- Goal: Create more professional looking literature and public image

SECOND VICE-PRESEIDENT: Dolan reported

- Volunteers at Bower's Farm have been trained and oriented.
- Goal: communicate with each assigned team leader to provide support at least once a year.

SECRETARY: R. Vrbensky presented minutes from the March 17, 2014 meeting. C. Lenchek made a correction to the Coordinator report. "...until they are certified." Remove 'are certified' and replace with "have completed education training class." Goal: Submit minutes in a more timely manner.

MOTION: Minutes approved as corrected. Gramlich/Bolle

TREASURER: presented in absentia: Treasurer's Report dated March 17, 2014-May 19, 2014.

- Reports were presented but have not been reconciled with Development/Project Support. The reconciliation will occur next week.
- Jean stated this is her last term and will not seek re-election
- Jean requested that all the aspects related to membership be handled by membership. This would make the Treasurer's job less complicated.
- **MOTION: Treasurer's Report approved. Vrbensky/Dolan**

MG COORDINATOR: C. Lenchek reported

- Thank you to everyone for the banquet
- Julie Kowalk was named Master Gardener of the Year
- Next class will be January 2015 here in Oakland County

TEAM REPORTS

Bower's Farm: Sally reported

- Gardens are looking very nice
- Many volunteers have been trained
- A Watering Team is being organized
- The goats are wonderful

Communications: Crystal Castle absent.

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- Denise suggested adding a photo release statement to the application. We discussed providing the service of inputting fellow member's hours into the VMS system. Crystal will be asked to take the lead on this.

Development (Project Support): D. Brown reported

- Conference
 - Very pleased with the venue
 - April 25, 2015 is the date for next conference
 - Goals: involve more people, especially those who expressed interest on the member application; improve quality by correcting problems; personally having less hands on involvement
- Project Support
 - "Feet on the Street" tour is slated for Sept 13, with ticket sales being on line
 - All merchandise has to be reordered, included will be umbrellas for \$15 and tote bags \$20 and \$15.
 - Cookbook: Nancy Schmid is investigating avenues/venues to sell the books. 407 are left.

Education/Programs: Betty Peters

- Looking for suggestions for next year's programs.
- Scheduling a greenhouse visit for April or May
- Goal: to post speaker handouts to website if available.

Membership/Elections: L. Cook presented. Goal: Involve Corinne Anderson who is willing to help as a team member. Denise Brown will contact her Promotional person for cost and ideas for a new membership pin.

Corresponding Secretary: Nancy Schmid reported. Susan McLarty is writing an article for Roots n Shoots requesting notice of member events.

Door Prize Coordinator: J. Grissom reported

- Thank you to all who helped at the raffle table
- Received a quote on a horizontal trolley dolly from Lowes.
- Goal: Continue to provide high quality items

MOTION: Ruth moved to approve the purchase of a horizontal trolley dolly for use in moving merchandise and raffle items to and from places. Bolle second. Approved

Hospitality: K. Sobanski reported

- \$131.24 in mini meals with 41 attendees
- Not getting mini meal \$ every month due to potlucks and greenhouse visits.
- Potluck has been moved to the August meeting-CHANGE CALENDARS
- June – salad
- Aprons will be kept by Hospitality

Greeter: C. Carroll reported:

- No report

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Trips and Tours: S. Parrott absent. Trip is set to go

OLD BUSINESS:

- Margy explained the mini meals

NEW BUSINESS:

- none.

Adjourn: 9:27pm

Required hours: 2.5 hours

Next Meeting: August 18, 2014; The meeting location has changed.

The Truza residence Please arrive about 5:45pm to tour Margy's beautiful gardens. We will eat at 6:00pm with the business meeting to follow at 6:30 pm. Please bring a side dish to accompany the Pulled BBQ Chicken and beverages the Truza's are providing.

⊗ All reports are available from the Secretary. Requests must be made in writing. These minutes will be posted on our website, but without financial information. They may also be edited for content. Website: www.mgsoc.org.