



## Board Meeting - March 16, 2015

Call to Order: 7:10 pm

Attendance: M. Truza, R. Vrbensky, C. Lenchek, Sally Bolle, Janie Grissom, Julie Kowalk, Denise Brown, Nancy Schmidt, Lucia Propst, Betty Peters, Jean Gramlich

Absent: Sandie Parrott, Margaret Dolan, Kathy Sobanski, Carole Carroll,

Quorum

### EXECUTIVE REPORTS

PRESIDENT: M. Truza

- Thank you to Sheri Trout for helping to put the financials in order. Crystal has resigned from the office of Treasurer so we are looking for a new Treasurer.

SECRETARY: R. Vrbensky presented minutes from January 26, 2015. Minutes were approved as corrected. Brown/Bolle

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT: Salle Bolle

- Orientation Meeting for Bower's Farm will be in March 31, 2015
- She is struggling getting editors to publish articles any sooner than the week before the conference when tickets will be sold out.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Margaret Dolan: absent

TREASURER: on hold for now until books are updated and 990's filed with IRS

MG COORDINATOR: C. Lenchek reported .

- Richard Wooten is the new District Coordinator for Wayne, Oakland and Macomb. As Assistant will be appointed to oversee Oakland and Macomb
- There will not be a Master Gardener College this summer

### TEAM REPORTS

Project Support: D. Brown:

- Conference: D. Brown reported
  - 235 tickets have been sold of 380 maximum. Need 80 more to breakeven
  - Speaker travel plans are being worked out
  - 16 vendors have paid
  - Meetings have been set up to determine layout
  - Patches will not be used on the aprons due to budget constraints
- Merchandise
  - East Lansing \$1400, Kent County \$3000, Taylor \$1000 with more scheduled
  - Silent Auction Thank yous have been sent
- Researching a Day Trip
- Approved to Sign up for Kroger community rewards

Corresponding Secretary: Nancy S. reported Multiple cards have been sent. 335 cookbooks are left



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Door Prize Coordinator: J. Grissom presented : She is focused on conference and items for recognition banquet

Hospitality: Kathy S. excused with report

- Mini meals 45-50 pay each month
- She would like an assistant for those months when she is not able to attend
- Will set out a container to accept donations for sweets and drinks
  
- Greeter: Carole C absent with report.
- February: 20 guests, 68 members attended
- March: 8 guests, 78 members attended

Membership: Julie K. presented. Thank you to Margy for rescuing the printing of the directories. Kinko's was going to charge over \$800 but Staples did the job for under \$250. She is sorting the membership list by teams for those who wish it. An email request will be sent requesting members to prioritize the teams they wish to volunteer for.

Communications: D. & P. Wanat absent:

Programs: Betty Peters reported she will begin scheduling for 2016 in May, after the conference.

Trips and Tours: Sandie P. in absentia.

Sandie invited Margy, Sally and Margaret to lunch at her home to share with her all she does to plan a trip and what they need to look for in a volunteer who is willing to take over the job. She will stay on until Fall 21016 to mentor a successor.

VMS Ambassador: Lucia Propst reported she is busy answering email questions regarding VMS issues.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- Directors and Officers Insurance: Per a document sent by Margy, Berins Hendrix would charge \$1001/year.
- Bonding all who are a signer on our bank account is \$257.00
- Volunteer Release and Waiver of Liability-Julie will review

**MOTION: Julie moved to purchase the D & O insurance and Dishonesty policy as presented Sally seconded. Approved**

**Motion:** Adjourn at 8:50 pm

Required hours: 2.0 hours

Next Meeting: March 16, 2015 Bldg, 26, 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room.

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