



MGSOC Board Meeting Minutes: March 16, 2020

Executive Board Officers:

Present: L. Propst, J. Fromm, A. Sheperd, J. VanDerAue

Absent: L. Miehls,

Committee Chairs:

Present: B. Brown, A. Koran, C. Roney, B. Peters, S. Williams, J. Bird, D. Brown, M. Truza, S. Bolle

Absent: J. Grissom, K. Sobanski

Others Present:

None

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: Lucy Propst reported:

- L. Propst reviewed the CDC recommendations in response to the COVID-19 virus and discussed cancellations for the upcoming MGSOC events.
- **S. Bolle made a motion to cancel the 04/14/2020 MGSOC General Membership Meeting. C. Roney seconded this motion and all agreed.** Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church is closed for gatherings until further notice.
- B. Peters reviewed the expected cancellation costs for the 2020 conference. B. Peters recommended cancelling the 2020 conference and noted that we are booked for a conference event for 04/17/2021. M. Truza has reached out to the scheduled speakers to book them for the next year's conference.
- **B. Peters made a motion to cancel the 2020 Gardening and All That Jazz Conference – In Harmony with Nature Conference scheduled for 04/25/2020 and to reimburse all the ticket holders. S. Bolle seconded this motion and all agreed.**
- L. Propst cancelled the 05/12/20 MGSOC General Membership meeting at Telly's. A. Koran will check with Telly's to reschedule for late May.
- S. Williams discussed the 2020 bus trip costs paid to date and costs to cancel the trip. J. Bird suggested that S. Williams ask the people registered for the bus trip if they would be interested in a rescheduled trip. B. Brown asked how the committee members felt



about canceling or rescheduling the bus trip. A. Sheperd suggested to continue to collect funds for the bus trip for now and to schedule a board skype meeting in a few weeks to make a final decision. J. Bird suggested sending, everyone registered for the bus trip, information about our plan to discuss the upcoming CDC recommendations and the possibility of cancelling or rescheduling the trip. D. Brown noted it would be beneficial to include the itinerary in this communication.

- L. Propst scheduled a MGSOC Board skype meeting for 04/06/2020 to discuss the bus trip, the MGSOC 2020 budget and any unfinished business from this meeting.

SECRETARY: Julie Fromm reported:

- **B. Brown made a motion to approve the MGSOC board meeting minutes from January 27, 2020. J. Bird seconded this motion, and all agreed.**

FINANCE: Angela Sheperd reported:

- The status of our bank account funds.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT: Laura Miehl absent:

- No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2020 MG CONFERENCE:

Betty Peters reported:

- B. Peters will work with L. Miehl and S. Bolle on a communication regarding the conference cancellation and ticket refunds. S. Bolle will send out an eblast to the general membership.
- Everyone agreed that all 2020 tickets will be refunded.
- M. Truza stated that the speakers have indicated they will book for our 2021 conference.

FUNDRAISING:

Denise Brown reported:

- D. Brown has been getting event cancellations.
- The fall day trip is on hold.

HOSPITALITY:

Kathy Sobanski absent:

- J. Bird discussed discontinuing serving food at the monthly meetings.



DOOR PRIZE COORDINATOR: Janie Grissom absent:

- No report.

EDUCATION: Amanda Koran reported:

- Reported in President's report.
- A. Koran asked if we would waive the visitor charge to our monthly MGSOC meetings for our monthly speakers. We all agreed. A. Koran asked D. Brown to give her the attendee numbers for the January meeting.

MEMBERSHIP/ELECTIONS: Julie Bird reported:

- J. Bird reported that the MG Volunteer roster is no longer on VMS and A. Koran is the only way to verify MG recertifications. This is a slow process. J. Fromm asked if members could provide a copy of their recertification card from MSUE as proof of recertification.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Cecily Roney reported:

- C. Roney reported that she has sent out four cards since she reported last.

BOWERS FARM: S. Bolle/B. Brown reported:

- Meet on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- May cancel 4/18/20 orientation meeting.
- S. Bolle talked about the special new children's and cottage gardens planned for Bowers Farm. She will be requesting a budget increase to cover the costs of the new projects.

BSLC RENOVATIONS: Margy Truza reported:

- M. Truza is looking for more volunteers.
- Meets on Thursdays from 9:00 – 12:00.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS: Laura Miehl absent:

- No report

TRIPS & TOURS: Sue Williams reported:

- Reported in President's Report.

Marketing & Communications: S. Bolle reported:



- Nothing new to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

- No old business to discuss

NEW BUSINESS:

- L. Propst will contact Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church to find out who our new contact person is.
- The church is closed to all group meeting until after 4/05/2020.

Motion: Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Required hours: 2.0

Next Meeting: April 06, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Skype

- 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.