



MGSOC Board Meeting Minutes: December 07, 2020

Online meeting

Executive Board Officers:

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

Absent:

Committee Chairs:

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

Absent: J. Grissom, D. Brown, S. Williams

Others Present:

S. Trout

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

EXECUTIVE REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: Lucy Propst reported:

- L. Propst reported there will be no MG Trainee class for the spring 2021 but, there is a class planned for the fall.
- L. Propst reviewed the 2021 MGSOC general and board meeting calendar. L. Propst will send out the new calendar and asks to be contacted with additions or corrections.
- B. Peters will send her the conference committee meeting dates.
- J. VanDerAue suggested notifying the church with our new schedule in preparation of possible in person meetings. Lucy will contact to the church to secure our meeting reservations.
- All tax forms should have the new MGSOC P.O. box address.
- M. Truza will contact Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church to reestablish our relationship. Niklaus Schillack is the new senior pastor.
- A. Sheperd needs a church contact to send our 2020 maintenance check of.
- Lucy will send the Troy High School choir contact information to A. Sheperd to send our donation.



SECRETARY: Julie Fromm reported:

- **B. Brown made a motion to approve the October 19, 2020 MGSOC board meeting minutes with corrections. M. Truza seconded this motion. Motion carried.**

FINANCE: Angela Sheperd reported:

- 5/3 checking account balances of the primary elite checking x3078 and the secondary elite checking x8525 (used for PayPal deposits).
- The Flourish account balance with accumulated YTD interest.
- A. Sheperd reported that the service fees on each account was waived.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT: Laura Miehl reported:

- Nothing new to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2020 MG CONFERENCE:

Betty Peters reported:

- B. Peters and S. Bolle discussed the pros & cons of having a virtual spring MGSOC conference which included: the projected costs of production, possible registration problems, and ticket pricing.
- B. Peters asked for the MGSOC board and committee members feedback prior to the conference committee meeting.
- L. Miehl will not be able to run the registration process.
- J. Bird suggested reaching out to all the state extensions to market the conference and that she would reach out to someone who recently did a virtual conference.
- All board and committee members agreed to support B. Peters in her decision regarding whether to hold a 2021 spring virtual conference.

FUNDRAISING:

Denise Brown absent:

- Nothing new to report

HOSPITALITY:

Kathy Sobanski reported:

- Nothing new to report.

DOOR PRIZE COORDINATOR:

Janie Grissom absent:



- Nothing new to report.

EDUCATION:

Amanda Koran reported:

- A. Koran agreed to send out the link for the MG volunteer portal so members can check their status.
- Richard Thomas waived his speaker fee and asked for a plant donation to the Belle Isle Garden designed by Piet Oudolf. A possible garden tour for our society was discussed.
- Review of the upcoming 2021 speakers.

MEMBERSHIP/ELECTIONS:

Julie Bird reported:

- We had 160 MGSOC society members for 2020.
- Sally will email the 2021 registration information and checks will be sent to J. Bird.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Cecily Roney reported:

- Reported that she has sent out a few cards. J. Bird requested a card be sent to Ruth Verbinsky from the society.

BOWERS FARM:

S. Bolle/B. Brown reported:

- S. Bolle and B. Brown reported they were able to keep up with the gardens even with limited volunteers.
- The farm is currently closed.

BSLC RENOVATIONS:

Margy Truza absent:

- Nothing new to report.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

Laura Miehl reported:

- Nothing new to report.

TRIPS & TOURS:

Sue Williams absent:

- Nothing new to report.

Marketing & Communications:

S. Bolle reported:



- J. VanDerAue suggested that Sally send a reminder to the membership regarding the VMS interview requirement. S. Bolle agreed to send a blast to the MGSOC membership with the links to our MGSOC general meeting zooms, the MG volunteer portal, and Diane Brady's email address.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- S. Trout and J. VanDerAue discussed the year end 2020 budget.
- S. Trout will follow up with making sure all our tax forms have our new P.O. Box.
- S. Trout will resend the corrected 2020 budget.

Motion: Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Required hours: 2.0

Next Meeting: January 25, 2021 at 6:00 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.