

Benton County Master Gardeners Association Board Meeting  
October 10, 2022

Called to order by President Jana Tindall @ 3:00pm

Attending: Jana Tindall, Paula Lupcho, Elizabeth Records, Brooke Edmonds, Nancy Tovar, Deb Kern, Judith Kenner, Deborah Hobbs, Janet Magedanz, David Mandel, Rich Little, Fred Prahl, Catherine Feher, Lynn Trimpe, Mary Mellard, Alan Taylor, Richard Taylor, Cynthia Roler

Gardening moments: Moles are in abundance this year! David says more downy mildew on his grapes this season.

Minutes of September meeting: Motion to approve as amended by Paula and seconded by Janet Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Paula

Checkbook: 85,233.12

Savings: 124.28

CD purchased September: 25,000

Total assets: 223,909.18

-Budgets for committees are due October 31, 2022

-Membership renewal can be done through square or paid in person at the October 24 membership meeting to Paula.

Meeting with Dr Lyles and Task Force Meeting

Overview– Judith Kenner

- asked to investigate 3 areas:

1. what are the needs of Master Gardeners?
2. How do we staff to meet those needs?
- 3 How do we serve diverse populations?

The task force needs to create needs assessment with a timeline to be completed by May or June 2023  
Statement that a Professor of Practice is not needed in every county and that a regional person would provide coverage for some counties. Discussion followed.

Extension Report: Brooke and Elizabeth

-Brooke will be back in Benton County til June 30; no office here but can be reached by phone.

- Volunteer re-enrollment via DocuSign will be in October

Due to the coronavirus, 20 service hours in any category plus 10 CE hours are accepted for recertification in 2021-2022, in the Linn and Benton programs. You can be recertified for 2022-2023.

- Graduation/Celebration at Tangent Training Center Saturday November 19, 2:00-4:00, hosted by LCMGA

-2023 training format will be a hybrid class in February/March with garden labs. Discussion followed regarding format.

Motto (tagline) - Nancy Tovar

-suggestions for new logo from existing logo “we grow smarter gardeners”: “cultivating gardeners” or “growing gardeners” -- board will revisit in November meeting.

Membership meeting October 24 (date change)

In person at the Sunset Room at the Extension Office at 7:00- Speaker and election of officers for 2023

Nominations Committee:

Slate of Officers:

President Paula Lupcho

Past President Jana Tindall

President Elect Brenda Bye

Vice President Lynn Trimpe

Secretary Wendi Gale & Cynthia Roler

Treasurer Janet Magedanz

Membership Secretary Marge Alig

OMGA Rep Rich Taylor

Alt. OMGA Rep. Debbie Lauer

Outreach Jana Tindall

Members at Large Fred Prah

Alan Taylor

Catherine Feher

Parliamentarian Mary Mellard (appointed position)

President Report:

-Future meeting discussion. November meeting will be all Zoom. Will decide the future of the December meeting.

-Committee chairs reports due December.

-Insights into Gardening starts February 11, 2023.

Monthly Garden Trivia Oct 13 6-7pm, this month topic House plants.

Meeting adjourned 4:20 pm by Jana Tindall

Submitted: October 19, 2022, Cynthia Roler, Secretary