

**Benton County Master Gardener Association
Board Meeting – April 6, 2020
Virtual Meeting
9:00 am – 11:00 am**

In attendance: ☐ Bob Smythe ☐ Rich Taylor ☐ Deborah Hobbs ☐ Linda Steppan
☐ David Dowrie ☐ Nancy Tovar ☐ David Mandel ☐ Deb Kern ☐ Paula Lupcho
☐ Diana Allen ☐ Debbie Wray ☐ Dale Collins ☐ Jana Tindall ☐ Marge Alig
☐ Alan Taylor ☐ Brooke Edmunds ☐ Elizabeth Records

Guests: Lisa Borgerson, Kathy Clark

President Nancy Tovar called the meeting to order at 9:10 am

Welcome and Gardening Moment All

- Bluebirds in Diana's backyard
- Jana reported that Garland's set up an account with Monrovia so people can shop and have their purchases delivered to Garland's for pickup!
- Paula had snow last week!
- Deborah showed off her tomato "patch." She loves to grow tomatoes!
- Elizabeth – motion-activated device to keep deer out of her front yard
- Going through freezer -found quince and made quince ice cream (Deb Kern)

Adopt Minutes of previous meeting

- ☐ It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes, as presented, from the March 2020 board meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Marge Alig

- See attached (will attach financial summary when minutes are finalized).
- Insights into Gardening 2020
 - Gross revenue for Insights into Gardening (IIG) is \$16,898.82. We've not been billed yet for the combined rental of LaSalle Stewart Center plus catering by University Housing and Dining Services.

Officer Reports

President

Nancy Tovar

1. Discussion: Vote to postpone the plant sale indefinitely and discontinue any further activities related to greenhouse vegetable propagation.
 - Uncertainty about holding the Plant Sale on May 23rd. We have a lot of plants in the inventory to care for over the summer. Issues of long-term storage, watering and workload.
 - High risk for many people and probably not enough volunteers in May.

- Consider having a “family and friends” sale at the end of May on a much smaller scale – where to have the sale? Plants are in eight different locations. Could we hold a plant sale during Mini College?
 - ☐ It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to postpone the traditional plant sale scheduled at the BC fairgrounds on May 23rd. The plant sale committee has discretion to determine the future of existing plants and decisions on any alternative 2020 plant sales.
- 2. Roll over the CD coming due on May.
 - Future of CDs in current world situation? Basically, the health of CDs is unknown at this time.
 - ☐ It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to roll over the CD that’s due in May for an additional year.
- 3. Mailing costs for the membership directory.
 - Proposal to move the \$165.49 mailing costs of the MG membership directory should come from the Board Discretionary funds.
 - ☐ It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve moving the mailing costs of the membership directory from membership to Board Discretionary funds \$165.49.
- 4. Adopt a Philomath Flower Basket - \$90.00
 - ☐ It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the adoption of a Philomath Flower Basket for \$90 with Board Discretionary funds.
- 5. Should we leave the May meeting as scheduled for May 5th? We moved to Tuesday due to the Plant Sale being the previous Saturday. Decision to keep with the May 5th date.

Additional Discussion Items

- Develop online resource list for MG and the greater gardening community. Elizabeth can work with Rich on a Google Doc of resources.
 - Vegetable Gardening online course:
<https://workspace.oregonstate.edu/course/master-gardener-series-vegetable-gardening>
 - Jennifer Klammer’s talk:
https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fyoutu.be%2F_fXV3YzUkUQ&data=02%7C01%7C%7C4c2d3b94dbbb4a228bd508d7da4cdb01%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637217895929285576&data=4Oy5PL9jPF1ovm%2BMYVhElleNNte9XOU5FwVc3AtIG5g%3D&reserved=0
- Link to the YouTube channel set up by Rich Taylor:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCG01Tr4r-6DTtc4bbB7z8mw>

- Can we keep the Plant Clinic alive during this time? Calls and emails are still coming into OSU Extension.
- April 20th Membership meeting – discussion of using Zoom and the need to establish electronic voting on the policy change.

Good of the Association - All

Attachments:

- March 2020 Financial Summary

Next BCMGA Board meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2020 via Zoom.

BCMGA Monthly Financial Summary for March - FY 2020

Cumulative revenues and expenses January 1, 2020 through end of month

		2020 Budget	Budgeted Funds Remaining	Prior Month
	12/31/2019			12/31/2019
Beginning Checkbook Balance at start of FY	53,674.71			53,674.71
Revenue (Year to date)				
Dues	256.00			256.00
Insights	16,898.82			16,898.82
Plant Sale	916.40			807.40
Cash Box Change	450.00			450.00
Sales / Refunds / Grants / Donations / Awards	1,000.00			1,000.00
Checking Account Dividend	16.10			10.47
Total Revenue to date	19,537.32			19,422.69
Expenses (Year to date)				
Insights	1,861.74	8,995.00	7,133.26	1,820.16
Plant Sale	1,232.58	11,535.00	10,302.42	1,227.58
OMGA dues	1,036.00	1,270.00	234.00	0.00
Cash Box Change: Fundraisers	400.00	2,000.00	1,600.00	400.00
BOD / General / Committee	2,346.78	9,270.00	6,923.22	1,862.18
Education & Other Services	407.20	8,265.00	7,857.80	349.13
Gardens	689.35	2,625.00	1,935.65	375.58
Youth Services	0.00	985.00	985.00	0.00
Restricted Funds	7.99	1,000.00	992.01	7.99
Cap Funds	0.00	2,280.94	2,280.94	0.00
Allocations/Donations	0.00	3,050.00	3,050.00	0.00
Total Expenses to date	7,981.64	51,275.94	43,294.30	6,042.62
Net Income: Total Revenue minus Total Expenses	11,555.68			13,380.07
Checkbook Balance - end of month	65,230.39			67,054.78
Minus Capital Funds remaining	2,280.94			2,280.94
Cash in checking acct. available to BCMGA	62,949.45			64,773.84
Other Accounts Balances				
First Tech Credit Union Savings Account	5.00			5.00
Greenhouse Capital Funds--First Internet Bank Certificates of Deposit				
Greenhouse Cap Fund: CD 1 - 1.8715 APY (11/19/20)	36,031.08			35,974.56
Greenhouse Cap Fund: CD 2 - 2.793% APY (5/1/20)	20,504.46			20,456.68
Greenhouse Cap Fund: CD 3 - 2.69% APY (7/8/20)	30,584.36			30,515.68
Greenhouse Cap Fund CDs Total	87,119.90			86,946.92