

Pulaski County Master Gardeners Board Meeting June 19, 2018

Members Present: Joellen Beard, Pam Gadberry Sharon Gragg, Carol Mendel, Paul Nolte, Sharon Priest, Suzanne Potts, Kathy Ratcliffe, Kathleen Reynolds, Randy Forst, Allen White and Carol Young

President Joellen Beard called the meeting to order at 10:00.

The minutes from May's Board and General Meetings were approved.

Pam and Sharon Gragg presented the two bank statements and they were approved.

Unfinished Business:

Standing Committee Reports- Sharon Priest

Continuing Ed: The event scheduled for today had to be canceled due to the speaker's illness. All registration fees were refunded.

Stuff Committee: July 16 they will verify prices with the vendors
Sept 14 -print order forms
September 18 -take orders
October 10-17- orders ready for pick up.

Randy questioned how the Zoom Class that takes place Oct 17-Nov 14th could place orders. Sharon will check on that.

Social Committee: Sharon congratulated the committee and Carol Mendel for a very successful May 18th Garden Tour. October 5th is the dinner at the 4-H center. Kathy mentioned buying tablecloths, because renting them was almost as expensive. Carol Mendel can check with a friend about borrowing some.

Travel Committee: The trip to Wister Gardens was a success. The trip to the Memphis Botanical Gardens is planned for July. The committee is going a great job.

PEST Committee: Kathy Ratcliffe reported that the visits to the Governor's Mansion and the LR Greenhouse went well. There are no visits scheduled in June.

Demo Garden: Kathy Ratcliffe reported that they were ready to test the irrigation system. A tree fell into the space, but nothing was damaged, and the 4H employees took care of it. Kathy is going to have an arborist look at the other trees around the property

Plant Sale Committee: Kathy will continue to look for a person to head up the committee, as an at-large board member. Nancy Kirsch has agreed to serve on the committee in an off-board position.

Janet Carson Consumer Horticulture Endowed Chair: Joellen asked that a decision on the donation be tabled until the September meeting. Randy mentioned that all counties are participating in Sowing Seeds for the Future campaign by putting out watering cans at meetings to collect member's spare change. There is a can in our general meeting space. The Endowment committee is meeting monthly. The next meeting is June 21st and board members are invited to attend.

Members of the Board and some from HAM planted summer annuals at the State Extension office. Joellen will ask projects that have trouble getting in their 20 hours, to help with the twice a year activity.

New Business:

The Amy Sanders Project was not discussed.

There was a discussion of PNG, which will be Sept 18-19. The first 10 members to email Suzanne will have their registration fee reimbursed by the Board. Any Board member wanting to attend will have their registration paid as well

Kathleen is reviewing the Volunteer Manual.

The Project Chair meeting is July 17th from 9-11:30 at the state office.

Changes in Status: Maureen Berney was granted a leave of absence for family issues. She needs to pay her dues. Randy reported that only 5 final letters are being sent out for non-fulfillment of membership requirements.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:59

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Young