

Pulaski County Master Gardeners Board Meeting October 16, 2018

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

President Joellen Beard called the meeting to order at 10:03.

The minutes from the September Board and General Meetings were approved.

Pam Gadberry presented the Bank of the Ozarks bank statement and it was approved. There was no Bank of the America report from the county office, so it was tabled. The Budget Committee met and presented the budget for 2019. The speakers thank you money will now be up to \$50 in gift cards. That is also the new procedure for memorial gifts. The website/ directory line item was increased by \$1000. The Budget will be voted on at the November Board meeting

Unfinished Business:

Standing Committee Reports- Sharon Priest reported that there is a PowerPoint for all standing committees that will be presented to the training session on October 24th at 8am, to recruit members from the new class.

Continuing Ed Committee- Sharon is meeting with them for lunch to work on upcoming programs.

Greenhouse Plant Sale: Friday, October 19 for members and Saturday, October 20th for the public. Hours are 8-10 am both days

Social Committee: The birthday celebration at the 4-H Center was a huge success. The sale of the centerpieces netted \$692 for the Demo Garden. Pat Luzzi is working on a Downtown Tasting Event to include a tour of the Vogel -Schwartz Sculpture Garden.

Stuff Committee: Items are here for pick-up today

Travel Committee: On November 15th there will be a trip to the Dickson Gardens in Memphis, the cost is \$7. It will be carpool caravan, departing from the Second Presbyterian Church parking lot.

PEST Committee: Kathy Ratcliffe reported that Heifer and Curran Hall were visited, and the PC Courthouse will be done next week. There will be 7 projects to be visited in 2019.

Demo Garden: Kathy Ratcliffe requested \$500 for this project. Carol Mendel moved to approve, it was seconded and passed. Kathy mentioned the Democrat- Gazette will run a article in a special section at the end of November.

Nominating Committee: Kathy presented the slate of officers for 2019. Kathleen moved to accept, it was seconded and passed. The slate will be presented to the membership today, to be voted on at the November General Meeting.

St. James Work Day: 40 people came and worked for 2 hours

New Business:

Paul Nolte will have 100 printed copies of the membership directory printed to be sold for \$5 at the January meeting.

Two votes were taken between board meetings: One supported Jane Gulley's letter of support for Mary Ann King's nomination to the Arkansas Outdoor Hall of Fame.

The second vote was to approve the funding of the \$5000 donation to the Janet Carson Endowment out of the Bank of the OZK account.

Changes in Status: The board approved a leave of absence for Eddie Isom.
The meeting was adjourned at 10:43

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Young