

# **Pulaski County Master Gardener**

## **Executive Board Meeting**

**October 19, 2021**

**Members Present:** Sharon Priest, Cindy Strauss, Suzanne Potts, Sara Jordan, Pam Gadberry, Susan Stewart, Deeana Montgomery, Jodi Mahony, Michele Wasson, Ann Schweitzer and Randy Forst.

**Welcome:** President Sharon Priest called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**Minutes:** Minutes for the September 21, 2021, Board and General meetings were presented by Secretary Sara Jordan. Jodi Mahony made a motion to approve, seconded by Deeanna Montgomery. The minutes were approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurer Pam Gadberry presented both bank statements as well as the budget for 2022. The budget was discussed and will be voted on in November. There are 53 people taking the latest Master Gardener class all of whom have paid in full. There are 24 people who have not paid dues for 2021. Ann Schweitzer made a motion to approve the report, Cindy Strauss seconded. The report was approved.

Randy shared there is a possibility of meeting in person at St. James in January 2022. A hybrid in person/zoom meeting was discussed. No decision was made. Funds previously paid to St. James for 2021 meetings will be credited for 2022 meetings.

Ways for all projects to make use of a labeling machine purchased for the Stevens project were discussed. Supplies can be purchased by and housed at the Extension Office. Cindy Strauss volunteered to further investigate the matter. A final decision will be made when all information is gathered.

### **Reports:**

**Projects:** Cindy Strauss reported all but 8 projects have responded for their need of new members. Mentors must be secured, and names turned in before new members can be assigned. Project chairs have been notified and will be reminded during the general meeting.

Two previously active members have returned and have been assigned projects.

**Standing Committees:** Sharon Priest, reporting for Carol Mendel, relayed a taped entertainment program is being prepared for the December general meeting on Zoom.

**PEST:** Suzanne Potts shared only 1 project visitation remains to complete the goal of 10 project visitation per year.

Over working volunteers was discussed. A motion was made to adjust the guidelines by removing a requirement that the PEST Committee Chair, a position held by the immediate past

