

Ozaukee Master Gardeners Executive Board Meeting
September 12, 2016, 6:45 p.m.
Ozaukee County— Administration Center, Port Washington, WI.

Present: Jerry Nelson, Jim Layton, Erin Schanen, Cindy Behlen, Mary Ingles, Marion Kanack, Mary Reilly-Kliss, Candy Witt, Education Committee Rep. Janet Silverman, and Hales Trail Board Members (Carol Meinerz-Co-Director & Activities Co-Ordinator, Sue Olson—Plot Coordinator, and Deb Postl—Co-Director & Treasurer).

President Elect Jim Layton called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the May 9th meeting were approved as communicated via e-mail.

Treasurer's Report: Joy Schulz's report was unanimously approved as presented.

Project Committee Report: Cindy Behlen reported that nothing has changed since the General Meeting except that the Charter volunteer activity at La Sata was canceled.

Operations Committee: Erin reported that things are the same as at the general meeting with a reminder to get hours in. We have a volunteer to take over the website. It's Robert Chartier Anglim.

Old Business: There was no old business.

New Business:

Hales Trails discussion—The board will use small denomination gift cards for small purchases, like gas. Otherwise, finances will stay the same. They have experienced changes in rules.

The Hales Trails reps reviewed their summer. Large compost pile has been eliminated. The water system is being improved. Pathways have been made ADA compliance. Membership rules are being revised by the board. They are having fun, made new friends and very much appreciate Mary Riley-Kliss's help.

Jerry reviewed the Hail's Trails agreement with the group after the reps were excused. A motion was made that Mary Riley-Kliss will meet to revise the OMG/HT agreement with their board. After their discussion, she will present it again under old business.

Open committee chairs

Education: No meeting has been called for the last two months. Janet will take the budget & mail. Janet and Susie will try to get the committee together.

Plant Sale: No volunteer yet.

Ozaukee County Fair: Mary DeLuca has volunteered, if she can have a co-chair.

Nominating Committee Chair: Open position.

Logo discussion

After discussion, it was decided that any further action to change the logo is on hold.

Insurance

Jerry presented 2 insurance options. Gina Fritch is the new agent for our current carrier. The insurance through Master Gardeners was also discussed. Think about this for “old business” for the October meeting.

Membership scholarship grant application - Cindy

International Master Gardener information won't be out until October 10th. The Conference is in July 2017. The Webster School Garden Project has submitted an application for the “Search for Excellence” Award.

Ozaukee Land and Water Rain Garden Initiative

Information was presented. Jim will bring information to the next meeting.

Budget and Goals 2017 time line

Jim will distribute materials to the Vice Presidents for distribution. They need to be returned by September 28th.

Non-scheduled items

Regarding volunteer activity, Marian suggested ideas related to encouraging volunteers. A meeting of the subcommittee for mentorship will discuss this issue.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next Board meeting-October 10 at p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Candy Witt for Secretary Kay Krier