

## Boone County Master Gardeners Minutes – May 20, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:30am by President Linda Trips. 51 members were in attendance.

Hospitality was provided by Jane Bewley, Melody Price, Mary Robbins-Nierste and Barb Burkhardt

Secretary's report: The March 18, 2019 minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: Michelle Mangold reported our starting balance was \$2475.25 and our ending balance is \$11,373.88.

Vice President's Report: Karen Hogan reported that we need an additional member to serve on the Election Committee. Ellie Doun volunteered. Nominations are needed for next year's President, Vice President and Treasurer. The July meeting will be at Linda Trips' house at 3030 N 600 E, Lebanon.

### Committee reports

Hospitality - Fran Lind The hostesses for our next meeting will be Marilyn Ferguson, Lynn Kenyon, Ellie Doun, Cheryl Corbin and Dorothy Pulfer.

Newsletter - Deadline - June 30, 2019

Fairground Gardens: Cheryl Corbin - Need to plant 50 plants before the Shalom tour. Please contact her to volunteer.

Community Gardens: Trish McCormick - Planting has started at these gardens.

Gardenfest: Lynn Kenyon indicated it was a success and thanked everyone for their help. Lana Lytle said that 41 children participated at the Pansy Patch and that Pam Cahen will lead the Pansy Patch next year.

4-H Fair Booth: Tentative plans are to have a tent set up next to the Butterfly garden. Still need to check on this. MGs will be explaining the butterfly garden and passing out literature.

Overnight Bus Trip: Carol Gobeyn Today is the last day to submit \$ for trip. 45 are signed up to go. We are leaving at 7am from the St. Alphonsus' south parking lot. At Wellfield Botanic Gardens golf carts are available, if needed. Contact Peggy Houchens or Carol Gobeyn about this. Peggy reported that the Lavender Farm is willing to do a presentation on a topic of interest. Drought tolerant plants were a suggested topic.

Day Trips: Peggy Houchens reported that any information will be sent out through the extension office

Members' Garden Tours: 4 members have volunteered to have members come tour their gardens. It was explained that you can select when (late June, July or August) and what hours you will receive visitors.

Grant Committee: Sharon Grebe There was some discussion as to whether to have a spring and fall deadline for grant applications. It was decided to stay with the fall deadline. The application is found on our website.

Shalom Tour; Joan Mohr - Date is June 15<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of June 16<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$15. Our butterfly garden is on the garden tour.

### Old Business:

Website Update: David Bokash indicated that Karen Hogan will be in charge of education on the website

Zionsville Dahlia project: Pat Buedel reported that Nicole Empey designed a postcard and informational flyer to be passed out at the Zionsville Farmers Market. It was suggested that information about the next Master Gardener classes be also available at the market.

**New Business:**

Junior Master Gardeners - Valerie Jasper indicated that the Jr. Master Gardeners need a donation of \$100. It was M/S (Jane Savage/Phoebe Smith) and approved. It was suggested that they apply for a \$250 grant this fall for next year.

Volunteer Opportunities: Habitat Landscape Day for their first house will be June 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am at 602 S. Main St, Whitestown

Educational Opportunities: Joan Mohr said June 4<sup>th</sup> will be an educational program on Essential Oils at the Fairgrounds. See newsletter for additional educational opportunities.

Curt's Report: Next Master Gardener classes will be starting on Monday, August 17 and ending on November 18<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm. There will be one Tuesday night class. There is a different sign-up system to register for the class. Information and pricing will be forthcoming.

Badges were presented to Master Gardeners – Karen Hogan and Jane Bewley  
Advanced Master Gardener – Butch Kidd  
Advanced Master Gardener Bronze – Cheryl Corbin

Jane Bewley was also thanked for her presentation at the Zionsville library on Introduction to Rainscaping on Apr 16<sup>th</sup>.

Other: June 21<sup>st</sup> - Zionsville Garden tour by the Village Garden Club. Peggy Houchens needed someone to sub for her from noon-2pm. Sara Zeckel volunteered.

Next meeting: July 15, 2019 at Linda Trips, 3030 N 600 E, Lebanon.

Meeting was adjourned.

Lesson: Carol Michel presented "The Twelve Secrets to Happiness" and her Garden Equation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Burkhardt