

Washington County Master Gardeners
Business Meeting and Annual Meeting
Tuesday, September 6, 2022

The meetings were held in-person at the Extension Office and virtually via Zoom. Present: 91 members (47 in person, 44 on Zoom). Quorum: Yes

Linda Morrow introduced tonight's speaker, Jim "Coach" Sposato. Bar-B-Que Fundamentals was the title of his presentation. From best charcoal to different types of grills and grilling tools, along with tips on grilling vegetables and some recipes, Jim's talk was both informative and mouth watering.

Project Report

Lorraine Heartfield gave tonight's project presentation, Mock Park. Mock Park is a pocket park in Prairie Grove. Her presentation was delightful, including the good, the bad, a brand new wagon, and a bee house.

Annual Meeting

Call to Order: President Karen Hanna-Towne called the Annual Meeting to order at 7:20 P.M.

Approval of New Bylaws

Dolores Stamps made the motion to approve the new bylaws as stated, and Jody Miskell seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of 2023 Dues

Kathryn Birkhead made the motion to approve the 2023 dues, and Judy Smith seconded. Motion carried. For 2023, dues will remain \$20.00 with a \$5.00 late fee after November 30. Dues can be paid by check, money order, cash, and soon electronically. Watch for instructions in the newsletter.

Vote on Slate of Officers for 2023

Joyce Mendenhall made the motion to accept the slate as presented, and Ruth Cohoon seconded. Motion carried. The slate of candidates included Joanne Olszewski for President, Elizabeth Hale for Vice President, Kathy Launder for Secretary, Darielle James for Treasurer, Glenda Patterson for Assistant Treasurer, and Nicholas Sammer, Linda C. Smith and Dale Thomas for Members-At-Large.

There being no other business, Susan young moved to adjourn the Annual Meeting, and Paula Dutton seconded. Motion carried, and the 2022 Annual Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P. M.

Business Meeting

Call to Order: President Karen Hanna-Towne called the Business Meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

Approval of August 2022 Meeting Minutes

Dolores Stamps made the motion, and Linda Morrow seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of July 2022 Treasurer's Report

Darielle James made the motion, and Nancy Sloan seconded. Motion carried.

Award of Service Pins

5 Year Pins, 10 Year Pins, Lifetime Pins, and Lifetime Plus 25 were awarded by Joyce Mendenhall.

Old Business

Kitty Sanders was to give a continued demo of the WCMG website, but she had to leave.

New Business

The Executive Committee approved an Ad Hoc Committee to be formed to prepare plant labels and to start a spreadsheet of plant inventories at all sanctioned projects. This announcement was met with great applause. Watch for details on how and when to volunteer.

Announcements

New Chairs and Co-chairs for Projects

Extension Office: Judy Henbest

Garden Gate Tour: Diane Standefer and Karen Smenner*

Saturday Crew: Teri Kinsey

VA Garden: Mo Shamseldin*

*As trainees Karen Smenner and Mo Shamseldin will officially assume their Co-Chair positions after graduation in early December of this year.

Thanks to outgoing Chairs/Co-chairs: Susan Gardner, Keith Blowers, Gail Pinalto, Kathryn Birkhead, and Lynn Paterson

New Chairs and Co-chairs for Committees

Archives: Joyce Mendenhall and Patsy Louk (assisting our Historian, Brooke Spenser)

Memorial Committee: Shirley Durning and Jan Hayes (assisting the Chair, Karen Hanna-Towne)

Members Resource Guide: Jan Lefler and Audley Hall

Thank you to all continuing Chairs and Co-chairs, and all project volunteers and committee members.

2022 Haiku Contest

Theme: Willow Trees, Honey Bees, and Leaves of Three

Limit two entries per member. Deadline is September 17.

Send haikus to Linda Morrow.

Photo of the Month Contest

1st Place: "Sweet Secrets in the Shade" Pam Butler

2nd Place: "Grandparent's Garden" Allison Brashears

3rd Place: "Quiet Conversation in the Shade" Jody Miskell
September's Theme is Insects in the Yard/Butterflies in the Garden
Release forms and photos due to Kitty Sanders by September 15.

There being no other business, Kathryn Birkhead moved to adjourn the business meeting, and Darielle James seconded. Motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45

Respectfully submitted by Lynette Terrell, Secretary