

Minutes of the April 15, 2014 Meeting  
of the  
**HENDRICKS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Rosie Lenihan, 2014 HCMG President.

**Officer Reports:**

Judy Kenninger, Secretary, asked that the minutes of the February be approved as posted on the HCMG website. Jeff Barnett moved for approval; after a second, they were approved on a voice vote.

Jill Clouser gave the Treasurer's Report. Pat Dallas moved for approval; after a second the report was approved on a voice vote.

Journalist April Blevins reported that logos for the contest are due by May 1.

**Committee Reports:**

**Gardening For All Ages** Ed Freeman, co-chair, announced that nearly all booths have sold out and door prizes are coming in well. Volunteers are asked to park in gravel lot behind the main building (enter off Main St) if possible. Volunteers are needed from 10 to 6 on Friday, Apr. 25 and beginning at 6:30 a.m. on Saturday, Apr. 26.

**Intern** Committee Chair Sue Wood reported that this is a very active intern class; many will be working during Gardening for All Ages and other upcoming events.

**By-Laws** Committee Chairs Sue Wood and Suzy Freeman reported that the committee has submitted proposed by-laws to the board and hope to mail a draft to all members in May for approval at the next official business meeting.

**Cookbook** Committee Chair Debbie Ashby reported that the cookbook is now available at \$8 per book.

**Adventures in Gardening** – Bev Russell, chair, announced information will be distributed during the GFAA show.

**Unfinished Business:**

**May Plant Auction Dig Sites:** Rosie Lenihan announced that interns will be digging and potting plants to sell at the May auctions on May 1 and 2. Because we will need as many plants as possible for our auction, all MGs and Interns are urged to dig and bring plants from their own gardens or other sources.

**Search for Excellence Nominations:** Jon Cain announced that two projects are being nominated for statewide honors: the Plainfield Correctional Center and Avon Outdoor Learning Center. The projects are in different categories, so they won't compete with each other.

Michelle Tramm asked for volunteers to assist homeowners with gardens on display during the **Plainfield Garden Tour** June 21 & 22.

Reservations are being accepted for the **June 7 Bus Tour** to Yew Dell Botanical Gardens and Hidden Hill Nursery. The registration form is available [here](#).

Martha Gooldy reported that the **Van Buren School** project is still underway. Contact Martha for details.

Rosie Lenihan reported that **Teaching/Learning Garden** projects are still in the research phase and should include educational sessions at whichever park is chosen. She also reminded Master Gardeners to submit their hours to Jon Cain. A discussion about the possibility of an electronic format for submitting hours ensued; Ed Freeman and Jon Cain are researching the possibilities.

The **scholarship committee** reported that they have received two applications so far.

In **New Business**, Vickie Coleman asked for displays and volunteers for the **Hendricks Co. Fair**.

An **Elephant Ear Bulb** contest is being held over the next few months. Everyone in attendance received one free bulb; more could be purchased for \$1 each. Bring back bulbs at a fall meeting to compete for the “biggest bulb” prize.

After a motion by Colletta Kosiba and a voice vote, the business meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Following the break, a program on **Hoop Houses** was presented by Kathy Stamper of Stamper Farms.

Respectfully Submitted

Judy Kenninger

2014 HCMG Secretary