

Minutes of the January 21, 2020 Meeting
of the
HENDRICKS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Steve Pearl, 2020 HCMG President.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the Nov. 19, 2019 meeting had been submitted for approval. Kathy Moran moved their approval and Chuck Dallas seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Board Report: Steve Pearl announced that the board is considering opening a second backing account to protect the HCMG assets, and that he will be appointing members who are not on the current board to a bylaw review committee.

Educator Update: Jeff Pell asked members who donated produce in 2019 to report those donations to him. There are 26 adults in the current intern class. Members are also invited to attend the Small Farms Conference to be held at the Hendricks Co. Fairgrounds.

Communications Director: Judy Kenninger announced that she has created a link for the Gardening for All Ages event on the HCMG Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/HendricksCountyinMasterGardeners/>) at <https://www.facebook.com/events/111171180274617/>. All members are urged to share the event with their friends and also in any local Facebook or NextDoor pages they may belong to. Already more than 1,000 people have indicated they are interested in attending the 2020 event. Also, please send Judy any items that you would like posted on Facebook or included in the newsletter.

Gardening for All Ages: Kim Somermeyer asked for speaker ideas. The Children's Booth's theme will be insects. Also Suzy Freeman and Sharon Miller are selling t-shirts with multiple color and style options.

Demonstration Garden: Becky Troutman announced that the prisoners who participate in our program at the Plainfield Correctional Center are starting seeds for our Demo Garden this year.

Sheltering Wings: Carol Gillaspy is seeking volunteers.

Sycamore Services: Susan Gackenheimer has met with them to start planning the Sensory Garden.

Historian/Speakers Bureau: Colletta Kosiba urged members to consider presenting a program during GFAA.

Adventures in Gardening: Carol Gillaspy and Susan Gackenheimer volunteered to chair this event.

Unfinished Business: Jeff Pell presented award to members who were unable to attend the Holiday Party.

New Business: The 2020 Budget was submitted for approval. Steve Somermeyer moved approval and Colletta Kosiba seconded. The budget was approved on a voice vote.

After a break, HCMG members presented a program on Seed Starting and Preparing for Spring

Respectfully Submitted

Judy Kenninger
2015 HCMG Secretary