

Hendricks County Master Gardeners
Minutes of the October 19, 2021 Meeting

Call to Order and Welcome - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Steve Pearl, 2021 Hendricks County Master Gardeners (HCMG) President.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Steve Pearl asked for the September 21, 2021 meeting minutes to be approved as posted on the HCMG website. No additions or corrections were noted. Sara Fenton motioned to accept the September meeting minutes. Teri Sundine seconded the motion. The motion carried by a show of hands.

Steve Pearl asked if there were any questions on the Treasurer's Report. No questions or corrections.

Educator Report, Jeff Pell – Jeff announced new Master Gardener classes for 2022. The dates are January 24 – May 2 and two times will be offered on the same day, 1-4 and 6-9. The State Master Gardener conference has been cancelled. Jeff asked members to continue to look for e-mails detailing upcoming seminars for educational credit

Adventures in Gardening Wrap Up, Susan Gackenheimer and Carol Gillaspay – Susan stated the final attendance was 64. There was a technical problem with one speaker and that presentation will be available online soon. Carol thanked all the committee members for their assistance.

Winter Dinner and Awards, Suzy Freeman – Suzy stated the date is December 7th from 6-8:30. Payment deadline is November 19th. Rusted Silo is the caterer and a local choir will be the entertainment. An e-mail will be sent soon asking for volunteers for set-up and tear down.

GFAA 2022, Steve Somermeyer- Steve stated that the first vendor payment has been received and the first meeting occurred last month. Chuck and Pat Dallas will start contacting vendors. Seed donations have started and Becky is looking for donations to the Gardeners Closet. Next committee meeting is the second Monday in November (8th) at 6pm.

Demonstration Garden, Becky Troutman – Becky will send an e-mail but the target date for closing the Demonstration Garden is October 26th. 4 yards of mulch needs to be distributed on the entrance beds and general cleanup needs to be done. Becky is hoping for a pergola for next year but approval is needed.

Historian and Speakers Bureau, Colletta Kosiba – Colletta stated a presentation was done in Plainfield, "Putting Gardens to Bed for the Winter".

Housekeeping Items –

- a. Purdue Annual Volunteer Agreement – Steve reminded everyone to complete on the website.
- b. Volunteer and Education Hour entry deadline, October 31, 2021.
- c. Dues will remain the same for 2022 - \$15 per member, \$25 for couples.
- d. Board approved the formation of the Technology Review Committee.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – Election of 2022 Officer Candidates – Vicki Coleman announced the candidates:

President – Sara Fenton
Vice President – Debbie Off
Secretary – Sharon Miller
Treasurer – Teri Mitchum
Assistant Treasurer – Bruce Crum
Project Coordinator – Karen Smith
Communications Coordinator – Carl Osborn

Motion was made to approve the Officer candidates by Colletta Kosiba and Cathy Frederick seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Audience to Members - (Questions, Comments, Announcements) –

Jeff Pell stated the Poinsettia order forms were available, deadline is October 20th. He also thanked the Educational Center volunteers. Becky Troutman donated plants for members.

Steve Pearl asked for a motion to adjourn the business meeting. Sara Fenton motioned to adjourn the meeting. Teri Mitchum seconded the motion. The motion passed and the business meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Educational Program – Spiders, Colletta Kosiba

Submitted by: Cathy Frederick, 2021 HCMG Secretary, October 26, 2021