HENDRICKS COUNTY EXTENSION MASTER GARDENERS Minutes of the October 18, 2022 Business Meeting

Call to Order and Welcome~The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by president, Sara Fenton.

Secretary's Report~Minutes of the September 2022 meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept was made by Sue Leuschke and seconded by Teri Mitchum. Motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report~The budget report was distributed to all and was approved.

Project Coordinator~Karen Smith announced that The Biggest Little Farm is being shown at Danville's Royal Theater on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 7PM. Free to all and Master Gardeners will be able to get an Education hour!

The Outdoor Learning Center has a new organizer.

Educator Update~Jeff Pell wanted to remind all to sign their annual agreement on the Extension website. A new Intern class will start in January 2023. Any questions, direct inquiries to Jeff Pell or Tammey Gillespie.

All volunteer and education hours will need to be added by the end of October to get credit if you are close to the next level for awards to be given at the Winter Dinner in December.

Intern Coordinator~Rosie Lenihan and Jan Meyers. The Interns made education boards that were used at AIG and will be available where needed.

The International Master Gardeners Conference will be held June 8, 2023 in Kansas!

Adventures In Gardening~Susan Gackenheimer said 72 people attended AIG and reviews will be available later. The silent auction was successful with over \$1400 made. Several volunteers spruced up the flower beds at the entrance to the Fairgrounds before the event and it was appreciated very much.

Winter Dinner and Awards~Suzy Freeman said the price is \$30/person and a caterer is secured. If anyone needs gluten free please let Suzy know.

Sign ups are available now with the deadline by November 30th.

Volunteer hours will be available for the evening. Social hour is 6:00 PM with dinner, entertainment and awards after.

Christmas Tree Decorating~Dee Elza and committee will decorate November 21st at 1:00 PM.

Scholarship Committee~Rosie Lenihan wanted to try to get the information out about our scholarship so we are able to get more applicants. Posting information by December 1st to get the word out sooner.

Our 2022 scholarship recipient is Lauren Fry from Danville High School. She is attending Kansas St. University in Ag Education with a minor in Ag Sales! Congratulations, Lauren!

New Business

Nominations for the 2023 Executive Board were presented. There were no write-in candidates.

President-Debbie Off Vice President-Andria Grady Treasurer-Teri Mitchum Assistant Treasurer-Bruce Crum Secretary-Sharon Miller Project Coordinator-Karen Smith Communications Coordinator-Kathe Rae

The candidates were approved with a show of hands.

New Website Introduction-Carl Osborn and Igor Kalenny-A demo of the new website was shown to the audience. There will be a general public availability as well as more secure information under 'The Members Only' tab. We are looking for a January 2023 possible rollout. The public will see a question and answer link for gardening problems.

A link to the Purdue MG Extension site for volunteer/education hours as well as the directory will be a tab away!

Any ideas for content/gardening links will be appreciated.

Audience to Member (Questions, Comments, Announcements)

Extension Advisory Council will meet November 1st, 6:45 for breakfast. Karen Smith is not able to go and hopes to find someone interested. Contact Karen if interested.

Teri Sundine has a friend that has a Lomi Composter that is used indoors making compost in as little as 4 hours.

Ann Selvy has pine needles and canning jars available. Check with her to see if you want canning jars. The pine needles are gone.

Our organization welcomes back Marilyn Novit!

193 days until GFAA 2023- April 29, 2023!!

Sara asked for a motion to adjourn the business meeting. Suzy Freeman motioned to adjourn and Kim Christopher seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Submitted by Sharon Miller, Secretary October 19, 2022

Program: Sam Lashley Meteorologist

Dates to remember~~ November 15th-General Meeting December 13th-Winter Dinner/Awards Volunteer and Education hours–<u>http://purdue.edu/mg-volunteer/login.php</u>