

**Hendricks County Master Gardeners**  
Minutes of the February 16, 2021 (Zoom) Meeting

Call to Order and Welcome - The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Steve Pearl, 2021 Hendricks County Master Gardeners (HCMG) President.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Steve Pearl asked for the January 19, 2021 meeting minutes to be approved as posted on the HCMG website. No additions or corrections were noted and Bruce Crum motioned to accept the January meeting minutes. Kerry Cates seconded the motion. The motion carried by an online approval vote.

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

Educator Report, Jeff Pell – Jeff encouraged everyone to take advantage of multiple online education opportunities. He mentioned the Small Farm Conference and Indiana Horticulture Conference webinars and posted the dates on the chat room during the Zoom meeting. The Indiana Flower and Patio Show has been cancelled for 2021 but is scheduled for March 12-20, 2022.

Communications Director, Ed Freeman – Ed was not present but Steve mentioned that newsletter items are due by the end of the month.

Demonstration Garden Chair, Becky Troutman - Becky was not present – no updates at this time.

GFAA 2021, Kim Somermeyer – Only 67 days until GFAA. Kim stated the Health Guidelines and restrictions have not been finalized but will be adopted when available. The MG Manager system will be utilized for volunteer opportunities. Since there is a maximum headcount for the event, the volunteers will need to be balanced throughout the day. Carol Gillaspay is working on speakers and Chuck and Pat Dallas are working on vendors. New postcards will be available soon in the Extension office. Trees have been ordered.

Help Center, Vicki Coleman – Vicki stated the Help Center will start in April on Tuesdays. Only 1 person at a time will be present in the conference room, 2 shifts per day. Vicki will try to advertise this year.

Historian and Speakers Bureau, Colletta Kosiba – Colletta still wants pictures of past/current events sent to her. Colletta mentioned an opportunity for speakers at Picar Park and is working on possible presentations. Richard Meier recently made a presentation for the Monroe County Master Gardeners.

Sheltering Wings, Carol Gillaspay – Carol is trying to schedule a Zoom meeting between MG volunteers and the shelter to discuss garden plans and programs for 2021.

Housekeeping Items –

- a. 2021 Directory Update – Debbie Off needs contact updates for the directory. Bruce Crum mentioned that 79 members have paid and he is hoping that several of the 34 interns will join.
- b. 2021 Chairpersons – Current list attached to the agenda.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

Audience to Members - (Questions, Comments, Announcements)

- a. Greendell Nursery Offer – Jackie mentioned that Greendell (located west of Mooresville) has offered a 10% discount to HCMG members of all plants.
- b. Colletta Kosiba was recognized for her 10 years as an Advanced Master Naturalist.

Steve Pearl asked for a motion to adjourn the business meeting. Sharon Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting. Teri Mitchum seconded the motion. The motion passed and the business meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Educational Program – Pruning Trees, Calvin Beasley

Submitted by: Cathy Frederick, 2021 HCMG Secretary, February 21, 2021