

## MONTHLY MINUTES FROM 11-19-20 ONLINE MEETING

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by President Shirley Audetat.

Roll call taken by Secretary Connie Landon: 12 members present online.

Treasurer's report by Connie Larson: Our treasury has \$2,634.10.

- Election Results by Amanda: President – none; Vice President-Marsha Schneider, Secretary-Natasha Rank, Treasurer-Connie Larson, WIMGA rep-Karin Peacock.
- Christmas Donation: Last year we donated \$100 to Family Promise. This year we will donate \$100 to Grant County Cancer Coalition. Motion by Cindy, second by Natasha, motion carried.
- Lack of President for 2021: Amanda said that we can operate next year without a President; we just have to organize how we will do it.
- New Project for 2021: Marsha explained the new “Battling the Winter Blues” project considered for next year. This involves having a free online 45-minute presentation offered once a month on January 21, February 25, and March 25. Speakers will be Molly Wood about her photography and poisonous plants, Linda Conroy about herbs, and Emily and Christopher Appelman family about their mushroom business. The speakers will be paid with grant money as there will be no spring conference next year. We will do advertising. Marsha offered to do a press release. Posters will need to be done by January 5<sup>th</sup>. We will give one door prize away at each presentation for this project. The door prizes were left over from our cancelled spring conference. Marsha motioned and Connie Larson seconded to go ahead with the speaker series, motion carried.
- Civil Rights Training: Amanda stated that there would be the required special training; she is just not sure when it will happen.
- Dues for 2021: Dues of \$10 are due on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Connie Larson will send out a reminder e-mail.
- Hours for 2020: These are due by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Karin said if there are problems with the online site when entering your hours, to use the “Help” button. Do not call her, Mike, or Amanda. Through Help, they will take care of passwords and the technical requests will then be forwarded to RJ for assistance.
- Storage for MGV Supplies: We need someone to store the door prize garden gift packages, several tulip plant sale signs, and the big wooden photo op stand with two step stools. Connie Landon had been storing them, but she will no longer be a member.
- Members Leaving the Group: Chris Carl, Nancy Mergen, Ken Kluesner, Melanie Reynolds, Julie Pluemer, and Connie Landon.
- Quarterly Newsletter: Because no one volunteered to take it over, Natasha suggested doing a quarterly newsletter four times a year with two people contributing to it. Karin said she would take care of any news from Mike, Amy, and WIMGA. It would come out in March, June, September, and December. Wendy moved to accept the motion, Shirley seconded, and motion carried.
- Projects for Next Year: Shirley is stepping down as President for next year, but she hopes that we can continue with the “Gardening in the Library” series, a quarterly newsletter, the “Beating the Winter Blues” project, along with IT training that was cancelled due to the virus.
- Shirley received email from Brian Hacker, Treasurer of WIMGA, that we will be receiving all three WIMGA grants that we applied for, \$400 for conference, \$250 for the Root box at Katie's Garden, \$100 towards the project by the Eckstein Building,

Adjournment: Marsha motioned to adjourn the meeting, Natasha seconded, and the motion carried to adjourn at 8:03 pm.

Connie Landon, Secretary