

February 20, 2020 MGV Meeting Minutes

Location: Youth and Ag

Continuing Education: 2 hrs., Support Volunteer hrs:1

Business Meeting called to order at 8:25 by president, Shirley Audetat. Role taken with 14 members present. The minutes from the November 2019 meeting were approved with motion by Melody B. and second by Ken K. The treasurer report had been sent out in email to membership earlier for all to look at to save time.

Old Business:

Myleen has the publishing software that we got with WIMGA grant money, so she can work on MGV projects from home.

We are not landscaping around the bear statue at the fairgrounds, now. The fair manager has said we may do a bed on the side of the Crops building. Mary R. has taken lead on this and we will discuss further at next meeting.

Platteville Farmers Market will run May-Oct. MGVs will do a booth once a month June-Sept., all dates yet to be determined. The market is looking for other volunteers as well, to help with kids activities.

We have the new logo for WI Master Gardeners and need to proceed with signage. Melody will check on another option similar to signs used at Katies garden and group will decide at a future meeting.

The June Bus Trip itinerary and registration forms were passed around and all info can also be found on website.

Thanks to all who filled out IT survey. There will be short learning sessions on different IT topics before some of the monthly meetings. The first one will be March 12 at 6:00, covering the ORS, Microsoft 365, and navigating web pages.

4H Explorer Day went well. 40 kids did MGV activity.

Please take posters and spread the word for garden Conference in March. We will finish up folders for the conference at the March meeting. 11 are preregistered so far.

Please share brochures for our monthly meeting schedule. Planning committee has put together excellent program.

New Business:

The MGV supplies have been inventoried and cleaned up. Everything is in storage at the Extension office except the soil probe (Wendy has) and the kids picture cutout(Connie Landon has). There was a motion by Marsha S. and second by Melody B. to buy a dolly and bungee cords to transport boxes of MGV materials when needed.

Everyone please help with the newsletter by sending interesting articles and info to Karin and Myleen.

Shirley passed out 2020 stickers for member name badges. See Shirley if you need one.

The Gardening in the Library series continues this year with the first one at Lancaster Feb. 29. The theme is starting seeds. There are talks scheduled for Platteville, Bloomington, and Cassville as well.

MGV will be working with the Lancaster Community Garden and the Foodwise program to incorporate learning activities for the Lancaster Girl Scout Troop. Mary R, Melody B, and Connie Landon have volunteered to help with this. Connie Larson is also working on a possible community garden program in Cassville.

Cindy A. and Marsh S. will need help with garden clean up at Marsden Park and the Doll Museum in the spring. Dates to be determined.

MGV could possibly host an Earth day event with the River Alliance of WI. The topic would be Invasive Water Species, given by a speaker from the DNR. Any other ideas for Earth Day, please contact Shirley.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Ken K. and second by Cindy A. at 9:25.