# Master Gardeners Board Meeting March 3, 2015

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were: Mary Shepard, President, Linda Petek-Co President, Eric Kropp-Co Vice President, Bette Hoytink- Co Vice President, Sue Egner, Treasurer, Jane Kuhn, Ivan Placko, Mary Jo Maher, Dara Sitter, Pat Behm, Valerie Stabenow, Donna Kudlas and Kimberly Miller.

#### **Treasures Report:**

Report for February was submitted and approved

#### **Secretary report**

Minutes were accepted. The minutes are current on the website and can be found there.

#### **New Business**

Google Plus is still tested as a trial alternative to the members area on the website

Virginia Slattery submitted a report on the first year recap of the new members liaison committee. This will be reviewed by the board at the next board meeting.

WIMGA requested a \$50 contribution for the conference in La Crosse. Sue will get more details about it so a decision can be made.

#### **Old Business**

Mary Sheppard and Patty Schmitz will do the review of the financial books.

There are still projects that need to have their form submitted for the budget final approval

#### **Education Committee:**

Winter Escape and Summer Dreams was a success. The auction was very well received.

This summer there will be one or two trips. There was discussion on one of the trips being an over night trip

#### **UW Extension Update**

There is a new tv monitor (which can be hooked up to computers) and tables in the small business room. New chairs are on order

There are new tables and chairs in meeting business room B

New tables are also in the ENT room

They have renamed the state newsletter. It is now called "The Volunteer Vibe" This is a combination of Mikes and Susan's articles. This is available to certified members and members going through training.

Neenah library requested presenters from the Master Gardeners for a May opening. Mary Jo Maher volunteered to talk about the project for the library. Kimberly will be presenting in April on pruning trees. Daryl will present in March on straw bale gardens.

#### Other news:

The business meeting has the following speakers:

March: Daryl on straw bale gardens April: Shore Line Restoration

May: Linda Werner on Amsterdam gardens

June: Picnic

### **Projects update**

March Presenters for the business meeting are the following projects; Oshkosh Farmers Market, Octagon House, Invasive Species, and Plant Advisors.

Many project leads still do not have all he completed paper work submitted. The project forms are to be submitted by January 1

The next board meeting will review the competed project reports.

Next Board Meeting is April 7, 2015 Next Business meeting is April 14

## **Meeting Adjourned**

Respectfully submitted, Mary Jo Maher for Kathy Schultz, Secretary Winnebago County Master Gardeners