Winnebago County Master Gardener Board Meeting Minutes June 6, 2017

PRESENT: Kathy Schultz, Linda Loker, co-Presidents, Eric Kropp, Nancy Karuhn, co-vice Presidents, Joni Pagel, Treasurer, Jan Wetterau-Houge, Linda Werner, Susan Forbes

Excused: Valerie Stabenow, Kimberly Miller, Diane lott

Lori Berndt, Ann Abraham

TREASURER REPORT: Joni presented the May treasurers report and it was approved as given. Joni also clarified that she will keep monies from grants and project approved funds separate. Leads will be asked to specify which fund they are requesting money from. Linda/Kathy will ask Sue Egner for clarification on grant rules.

SECRETARY REPORT: May minutes were approved, with spelling correction. Kathy will take minutes because Ann is not present tonight.

Minutes are out on website now.

PROJECT UPDATES: Most projects seem to be going well. It has helped to send out a general email if a project needs help on a certain day. Eric and Nancy will also connect with the leads to remind them to communicate often with the people on their projects.

Linda/Kathy will send email to Winchester volunteers letting them know we don't have a lead, they can continue working this year and record hours for MG certification and if we don't have lead for next year, Winchester will no longer be an approved project.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT: Plant Workshop attendance was disappointing. Only 4 adults showed, and they were expecting about 15. Those that attended were enthusiastic and if they wanted, were able to take two planters. The remaining supplies will go to Mike Maddox's therapeutic workshop.

EXTENSION UPDATE; Kimberly was not available for this meeting. No information available on progress on Background checks, but several members have come in for a paper copy.

JOB DESCRIPTION for OUTREACH COMMITTEE Linda Werner presented a draft job description for this position. Suggestions to include a listing of what boards/items are available. Suggested adding this to SOP as we revise these. We want to have at least one board member on the committee and one from general membership.

SUMMER GARDEN WALKS: Linda Loker reviewed what walks are set for this summer and will provide a listing for members to have at the picnic.

DEDECATION of RAIN GARDEN: The Land and Water commission and county board would like to dedicate the Rain Garden to long time member Nancy Barker. The board had no objection to this. It was suggested that if a plaque is done, perhaps it could say Nancy Barker honorary

garden, maintained by WCMGA. Linda also mentioned that she may use the garden as a tool for a future rain garden seminar.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Schultz