11/3/2020 WCMGA Board Meeting Minutes VIA ZOOM

1. **ROLL CALL** (6:02 P.M.)

Present: Co-Presidents: Ed Dombrowski, Bob Kneepkens, Vice President: Britton Dake, Secretary: Susan Raasch, Treasurer: Deby Voyles, Linda Werner, Sandra Golliher, Ginny Slattery, Grace Oliver, Kathy Schultz, Linda Loker and UWEX Advisor: Kimberly Miller.

Absent: Petey Clark

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Call for a motion to approve the Board Meeting Agenda. Motion to approve the November 3, 2020 with the addition of New Business 5b. Acceptance of Board member resignation letter. Motion made by Ed Dombrowski. Motion passed.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

- **a. Secretary Report:** Motion to approve October board minutes. Motion made by Sandra Golliher, second by Linda Werner. Motion passed.
- **b. Treasurer Report:** (Google drive for data) Deby gave the cash reconciliation report for 2020 through October 2020. No money was taken from the cash reserves. Checking account balance is \$1721.41. Minimum balance \$2,354.29. \$600 away from balancing 2020 budget. Won't need to take money from cash reserves.

c. Committee Reports

1c. Strategic Planning – Ginny Slattery reported the committee is continuing the sustainable eco system and wants to offer educational and volunteer hours to both able and not able bodied members. More information on the committee's plan to come.

- 2d. **Education Committee**: Linda Werner reported the Education Committee will meet in January. Mary Moosemiller unable to attend the November Board meeting, she is volunteering as a poll worker. Linda applied for the raffle license. The Education Committee is continuing to update the website and Facebook with suitable continuing education hours.
 - **d. Projects Updates:** Britton reported that Algoma Town Hall project will be turned back to the project partner. There are renewable term limits for the all Project leads to prevent project burnout. Currently, looking for additional project leads.
 - e. Extension Report: Kim reported that UW-Madison has announced more furlough days for 2021. This affects the Extension employees. She is focused on the Horticulture training through January 2021. There are 150 participants not all will continue to become Master Gardeners.
 - f. Communication: Bob stated nothing to report.

4. Old Business

a. 2021 Budget

Deby Voyles asked how many projects should be approved for next year. Covid is not going away. Need to abide by current guide lines no matter how many projects are funded. Bob Kneepens suggests funding all projects with \$100.00. Projects with grant money will have the \$100.00 plus their grant money.

WC Fair, not project, budget \$50.00 for 2 \$25.00 4-H Awards.

Scholarships \$1,000.00 budget.

Deby says this is a good reasonable plan.

Budget is underfunded and a reserves withdrawal will be necessary at some time to meet WCMGA's expenses. Motion to approve the 2021 budget as screen shared by Deby Voyles made by Linda Loker. Second by Sandra Golliher. Motion passed.

Deby will explain the 2021 budget at the November members meeting.

b. Emeritus/Honorary Status: Dorothy Kunz and Audrey Ruedinger requested Master Gardener Emeritus status. They both meet the requirements for the status. Linda Werner made a motion to approve Winnebago County Master Gardener Emeritus status with the caveat that there may be future changes to the status. Second by Deby Voyles. Motion passed.

c. Elections:

Kathy Schultz reported the slate.

Vice President: one candidate, need candidate for co-vice president.

Secretary: one candidate

Board position: several candidates

Ed will email the membership for volunteer candidates.

d. Dr. Weber plaque

Quote from engraving company \$20.00 for plaque setup. \$5.00 for plaque.

3 plaques: Dr. Tom Weber, Dr. John Procknow, Judy Harms. Total cost = \$35.00.

Deby and Ed are donating the cost.

Linda Loker made a motion to approve buying the plaques. Second by Linda Werner. Motion passed.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. December Board meeting

December 1, 2020 Board meeting

Items: Budget, Membership, Plans for Awards meeting, follow up election results.

b. Accept Board member resignation letter

Petey Clark tendered her resignation effective immediately. Motion to accept the resignation made by Ginny Slattery. Second by Linda Loker. Motion passed.

6. ADJOURN

Move to adjourn made by Linda Werner. Second by Grace Oliver. Passed 8:00 PM

(Next meeting: Tuesday December 1, 2020 6:00 p.m.)