

HEART OF MISSOURI MASTER GARDENERS  
Minutes of Meeting  
September 20, 2005

President Phyllis Barks called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with 22 master gardeners in attendance at the Boone County Extension office in Columbia, Missouri. Julie Lunsford of the Runge Conservation Nature Center in Jefferson City presented the program on *Wild Edibles*. Julie not only shared information and examples of sumac, sorrel, Queen Anne's lace, but she bought the lemonade, jelly and other delicious snacks and recipe she had made for our enjoyment from numerous wild edibles she had harvested and prepared. Following a break for snacks and beverages the business meeting started at 8:10 p.m.

Minutes

Betty Gayle Smith moved, Barb Michael seconded and the motion passed to accept the August minutes as posted on the Web site.

Treasurer's report by Debbie Scholes

Heart of Missouri Account	\$ 875.24
Missouri State Conference Account	<u>6,033.13</u>
Total	\$6,908.37

Committee reports

- Newsletter – Tony White, Chair, thanked the numerous contributors and helpers. Please contact Tony if you have ideas or articles to share for the newsletter.
- Plant-a-Row for the Hungry – Betty Gayle Smith thanked Vita and Tom and invited gardeners to join her group to plant spinach October 10.
- Community Gardens – Barb Michael announced annual harvest dinner for Community Garden Coalition is scheduled for October 22 at Broadway Christian Church.
- Habitat –Committee needs volunteers to help October 8 (October 29 rain date) for hauling and spreading mulch at the Norberry site. Need individuals with trucks and volunteers to spread mulch for the living fence.

Old Business:

- Recommendations for the 2004 State Conference funds:  
After discussion the following additional items/ purchases were approved:
  1. Plant-a-Row committee - \$75 to purchase compost and seeds for next year's space in the Community Garden on Claudell.
  2. "Ray Rothenberger & Jim Wilson Missouri Master Gardener Endowment" fund was recently established by the State MG Advisory Board to support educational workshops, advanced training, statewide conference and programmatic needs - \$500 donation.
  3. Invest in two CDs at different time limits - \$3,000.
  4. A three-member committee was appointed to gather information about the possibility of establishing a scholarship fund. Betty Gayle Smith, Tom Marrero and Judy Turner volunteered and Don Day will serve as advisor.

New Business: none

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane King, Secretary