

Boonslick Master Gardener Meeting Minutes February 6, 2008

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by President Jackie Hickam at 6:46 p.m.

Roll Call: Roll call by membership announcement with 14 members and one guest present.

Survey Results: Survey results were passed out.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report was given by Jackie Hickam in absence of treasurer. Balance is \$925.26 as of December 31, 2007.

Committees: Ms. Hickam passed out the Sign up sheets for committee assignments. All members were encouraged to select a committee.

Bylaws: The executive committee met at 5:30 p.m. on February 6, 2008 and reviewed initial draft for presentation to membership. The final draft will be distributed for review by the membership at the March meeting.

Spring Projects: Ms. Hickam presented the list of the projects normally supported by the Boonslick Master Gardener group as follows:

- Wal-Mart Open house -- plant overview will announce date at March meeting.
- Plant Morgan Street Park and plant sale -- tentatively first week in May.
- Calaboose Garden -- assign bedhead/bedfellows -- \$50/bed -- bring plans to next meeting. A motion was made and seconded to commit to supporting the beds at the Calaboose Gardens at a level of up to \$50.00 per bed with a plan and pricing sheet. All members in attendance were unanimously in favor.
- Katy Manor Adaptive Garden -- next meeting will be Thursday, March 6 at 6:30 p.m. at Katy Manor. Survey to patients/residents -- no responses to date.

Hotline: Two to three graduates from recent class have expressed an interest in staffing the Hotline this season.

Summer Projects: Ms. Hickam and the project coordinators presented the following projects for further discussion and support:

- YMCA -- support for summer youth -- need to set up details if interested.
- Porch Tour -- biggest fundraiser -- tentative date will be June 8
- Bristle Manor (12 bed facility) -- cutting flower garden -- will need to be tilled -- Bev Grimm interested in supporting
- Herb / Cooking Class -- Barbara Dahl, herb plants, herb vinegar, herb salts
- Partnering with Missouri Life Best of Missouri Showcase
May try to do plant sale at this time.

Plant Rescue: Possibility at Orscheln's or from private gardens.

Future Events:

- Bakersfield Heritage Days in Mansfield, April 6
- Saline County Water Tour in mid June
- Greenhouse class in coming week

Media Contacts

- Radio -- Jackie Hickam
- Newspaper -- 2008 Calendar of Events -- Agenda and Minutes in Newspaper
- Newsletter and website