

Minutes July 11, 2019- Meeting of Cass County Gardeners

Present: Darlene Arnett, David Dewsnap, Jim Hart, Vicky Hart, Greg Mansker,

Motion by Greg to approve the minutes of June 13, 2019 and seconded by Jim. Motion passed.

Motion by Greg and seconded by Dave to approve the Treasurer Report. The balance as of July 1 is \$3,127.99. Darlene has submitted receipts for mulch, \$30.37, and plants, \$27.00, for the Extension Native Garden.

Volunteer Hours: 744 volunteer hours reported with 331 contacts. David is needing a MG nametag.

Hotline/Treat Sheets: All slots have been filled for the Hotline. Vicky has emailed out the updated list. Upcoming treat schedule: Darlene and Dean - August; Jim and Vicky in September; Cliff and Glenda in October.

Old Business

Projects updates:

Belton Parks Classes- With the upcoming Master Gardener Training Classes at the Extension Office and commitment required from current MG members a motion was made by Greg and seconded by Vicky not to do the fall classes. Contact was made with Lora Kirkland at the Belton Community Center and it may be possible to hold future classes there in the future. Future contact should be made with Vanda Meehan, Assistant Director, 16400 N. Mullen Rd, Belton (Belton Parks and Recreation) 816-348-7400 Ext. 7405; vandam@beltonparks.org; www.beltonparks.org.

Demo Garden/4-H Classes - Vicky reported that the gardens are in full bloom. The 4H participants have been very busy. There has been an average of 5-6 each meeting. This week they picked green beans, peas, cherry tomatoes, onions. The cucumbers and tomatoes are looking good. Participants will be preparing display boards and writing summaries of their work in the gardens to take to the Cass County Fair, July 16th -21st. Kathee will be judging vegetables and Paula and Janice will be judging the flower show.

Demographic information forms that were requested from members by the Extension were filled out by those present.

Hosta Ally – Greg visited Hosta Ally and took a thank you note and 2 bottles of wine. Vicky also sent a note of appreciation Phil and Gayle Ally.

New Business

Fall MG Class - Pat Miller will facilitate Master Gardener classes at the Extension Office on Monday nights starting August 5, 6pm-9pm, for 10 weeks using the MG Core Manual. Cost of the class will be \$175.00. MG's were encouraged to attend and support her and those attending. A signup sheet will be available for those wanting to attend the classes as support so that there is a MG at each class. For those wanting to do online classes the deadline is August 12. Darlene will check with Pat on the following: is the class listed on the MU website, is the suggested date firm, and how many classes can be missed and process for making up classes. Consensus was that more time is needed for promotion. Darlene will also check with Pat about sending a pdf flyer to Extension Office to help in publicity.

Darlene shared an email from Pat Miller: "Please discuss helping promote the class. Check with Jennifer as she has made flyers and we are getting out several news releases. I am looking at teaching about 5 of the classes. Travis will do soil, MDC Forester will do trees and shrubs and Patrick Byers to do fruit. Would anyone in your group want to do Ornamental Flowers or Landscaping? There are presentations

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available to use, needs to be 2+ hours. Also, I will see if there are some short topics members can fill in with such as container gardening and such". Paula could possibly do a session on Native Gardening.

2019 plans-

August 8 next meeting

August 10-11 KC Cactus & Succulents at Loose Park

Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.

Treat List 2019

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| August 8 | Darlene | Dean |
| Sept 12 | Vicky | Jim |
| Oct 10 | Glenda | Cliff |

ACTION ITEMS

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| Darlene | Talk with Pat on the following: *is the class listed on the MU website, *is the suggested date firm, *how many classes can be missed and process for making up classes. sending a pdf flyer to Extension Office to help in publicity. |
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