

Minutes September 9, 2019- Meeting of Cass County Master Gardeners

Present: Darlene Arnett, Janice Britz, Tom Britz, Cliff Bruce, David Dewsnap, Kathee Glodowski, Glenda Gash, Jim Hart, Vicky Hart, Greg Mansker, Sue Scaccia

Darlene introduced Katthi Mecham, new MU Horticulturist for "Trees and Shrubs". Kathi shared about her experiences as a Master Gardener and Extension Liaison.

The minutes of August 9, 2019 were reviewed. Motion by Kathee and seconded by Glenda to approve with correction of "Wendy Sanger at Burr Oaks. Motion passed

Volunteer Hours – Glenda reported 608 hours reported. Suggested that there be training available on how to enter volunteer hours. There is a tutorial on the MG site on how to enter hours that could be used.

Hotline list is full and emailed out. The hotline hasn't been as busy and is winding down. Will need to look at other ways of promoting hotline in the future. Discussion of request from hotline walk-in Sherry Baxter. Glenda will call her and let her know the question had been resolved. Treat list is filled through November (Cliff/Glenda).

Old Business

MG Training Class has 9 trainees. They will need to have their hours completed prior to getting badges. Suggested to use lanyard name tags while doing MG hours. Badges cost \$55.

Schedule of classes that are left in the series were attached to email with agenda, etc.

There has been a good representation of MG's at each class.

Interns will need to work the hotline with a MG prior to being allowed to man hotline desk by themselves.

Interns can't hold an office until they have their hours completed.

Monday, October 14 will be class graduation. Certificates will be distributed. Refreshments will be Subway sandwiches and Sue will provide a punch bowl cake.

Demo Garden/4-H Classes: 4H group has been helping to weed the Native Gardens. The gardens are slowing down. Recently planted lettuce, radish, peppers, cauliflower, and zinnias. Gardening 2 will start October 1.

Extension Gardens need weeding again. Darlene will schedule a workday.

Cass Regional Hospital Plant Sale: Dates are Fri Sept. 27 (8am-1pm) and Sat 28th (8am until stock is gone). They need help with setup on Thursday, September 26 (9am). They will accept plant donations.

Fall Classes: It was decided to check into using High Blue Fitness. Greg will talk with Vanda Meehan, Assistant Director. 816-348-7400 Ext 7405. Looking at possibly 8 classes starting Tuesday, March 3 or Thursday, March 5. MG should look at topic selections for the sessions.

New Business

MG are not certified to teach Canning Class.

T-Shirts – Cliff to secure the name and phone number for Heartland Sales and forward to Vicky to send out. T-shirt orders will be on an individual basis.

Darlene to look at MG list and determine which ones have been inactive and how long it has been since they have reported hours and determine what status they need to be in.

Kathi will look at the online MG class and determine which participants are in our area and direct them to our group.

Election of Officers was discussed. Election will be held during the October meeting. Volunteers that have stepped up: Glenda for President; Janice for VP or secretary; Vicky for secretary; Cliff for treasurer.

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Upcoming Dates:

Late Sept./Oct. – Belton Parks, planting mums

Sept. 27 - Sept 28 Cass Regional Hospital Plant Sale; set up Thur. Sept. 26

October 7 - (4:30pm) prior to MG Training Class; election of officers. Take office first of the year; No Snacks.

October 8 - 9am-11am, Memorial Park, tree trimming

October 14 – MG Class Graduation (following class)

November 14 - evaluate MG Training Class; Planning for 2020 and plans for Spring Gardening Classes.

December – No Meeting

Motion by Darlene and seconded by Glenda to adjourn at 6:05pm. No raffle or treats.

Treat List 2019

October 7	No Snacks	
November 14	Cliff	Glenda

Action Items

Glenda	Call Sherry Baxter about hotline question
Kathi	Forward names of online Cass County MG participants to Darlene
Darlene	Schedule workday for Extension flower beds; evaluate MG participant list and involvement/hours reported in past couple years
Cliff	Secure information on how to order t-shirts and forward to Vicky
Greg	Talk with High Blue Wellness, Vanda Meehan, about Spring Classes starting on Tuesday, March 3 or Thursday, March 5 for 8 weeks

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