

# Master Gardener Society of Oakland County

## Board Meeting Minutes: March 16, 2009

Call to Order: 6:55 p.m.

In Attendance: Tom Hershberger, John Grant, Ruth Vrbensky, J. Gramlich, Susan T. McLarty, Dick Wanat, Chris Covell, J. Kowalk, Margy Truza, Deeann Bauer, Carol Lenchek, Kay Kissel, Janie Grissom, Martha Humphrey, Sandie Parrott  
Guest: Sylvia Schult, Rob Kowalk

Absent: Chris Wilder

Quorum present

*Secretary Report:* Board minutes from January 20, 2009 were presented. Corrections to minutes regarding date of Treasurer's report in first motion under Treasurer's Report.

- **Motion:** S.T. McLarty moved to accept minutes as amended. J. Grant support.  
Approved.

*Treasurer Report:* J. Gramlich presented.  
Report on file

- **Motion:** S.T. McLarty moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Jan 20-March 16, 2009.  
J. Grant support. Approved

Jean did state that one non-sufficient funds check was sent in for membership dues. She will contact member to see if they will re-issue the check without penalty, but the Society has no NSF policy on file. This must be addressed. Jean will write the policy draft and present at next board meeting.

*Team Administrator:* S.T. McLarty presented

Susan has received one estimate for printing costs for the cookbook~\$3,700.00. She distributed a sample of a chapter for brief review. She is still gathering recipes.

*Master Gardener Coordinator:* C. Lenchek presented.

- April 9, 2009 is the last class date and therefore the volunteer day. Time is very limited-complaints were made in previous evaluations of it our portion taking too long.
- The Recognition Banquet is May 28, 2009 at White Lake Oaks County Park.
- Contact legislators and ask to vote to not cut Extension and Agricultural Station budget: 26, 013 hours were logged for volunteers in Oakland County. A volunteer hour for 2009 is valued at \$19.51.
- Gift items for donation should be directed to the Banquet Committee.
- **Motion:** R. Vrbensky moved to authorize the spending of \$100.00 for gifts for the Recognition Banquet. Monies will be used from the Grants budget. Janie Grissom will determine gifts from items she has already purchased. S.T. McLarty support. Approve,

*Hospitality:* Chris Covell presented- Asked to use Society logo or MG logo on table tents and other handouts/fliers. Ruth will send Chris the logos. Carol cautioned to not have things permanently printed with the logo due to it being changed later this year.

*Programs:* D. Bauer: DeeAnn reviewed upcoming programs. She is still in need of information regarding equipment needs, fees, etc for our April speaker. Tom is also to show DeeAnn and Chris how to turn on the sound system before general meetings.

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*Newsletter:* Dick Wanat presented: Last month's print order was short. New members will only be listed with their names in a "Welcome" area.

*Bower's Farm:* M. Humphrey presented: She submitted a request for replacement as Bower's Farm team leader. She will purchase items for the Sensory Garden.

*Membership:* J. Kowalk presented: 6-7 new members have joined since the directory was published. New members should be given MGSOC pins if any are left. She is also investigating pink sticker for name badges.

- The Guest Fee was discussed at great length.
- Motion: Jean Gramlich moved to have non-members who are family of a member will not be charged a guest fee. John Grant support. Approved.

*Website:* Chris Wilder absent

*Project Support:* S.T. McLarty presented: See Team Administrator

*Trips and Tours:* S. Parrott presented: She has one seat left for the 2009 trip to Columbus, Ohio.

*Raffle Items:* J. Grissom presented: Janie requested the title be changed to Door Prize coordinator. Her name will also be added to the contact list in our directory and website.

*Corresponding Secretary:* Margy Truza presented. She has sent 4 cards.

*Old Business:* Emergency contact procedure: We still need to decide who will call what pages. There are 11 pages with 14 on a page, thus needing 22 people. We don't have that many on the board. Issue unresolved.

New Business:

*Training Program:* A training program for Program Coordinators/Team leaders was introduced by Sylvia Schult. She reviewed her outline for the class, tentatively scheduled for April 20, 2009 6:00-8:00 pm at the Executive Office building auditorium. There will not be charge for the program. Sylvia will be responsible for marketing but be sponsored by the MGSOC.

- Motion: R. Vrbensky moved to sponsor the April 20, 2009 Program Coordinator/Team Leader workshop. J. Grant support. Approved

**Motion to Adjourn:** R. Vrbensky moved to adjourn. J. Gramlich support. Approved

Adjourned: 9:53: pm.

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Education: 0 hours

Meeting: 3.0 hours