

WIMGA Board Meeting – March 3, 2022

President Marilyn G called the meeting to order at 4:37.

Roll call:

Present: Becky G, Byron H, Dawn H, Diane K, Diane T, Hali D, Jackie S, Marilyn G, Robynn P, Roseann M, Vicky H

Absent: Janet M, Laurie M, Nancy J

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Vicky H to approve the minutes, Roseann M seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report is accepted as submitted, subject to audit.

Update on Program Office Interactions

A call is scheduled with Jay D for next week.

They allowed the master gardeners to add additional hours for 2021.

Confirmed that we can still use extension documents in terms of the educational materials that contain the logo. Same as the name badges

How do we transfer between states? It seems the transfer fee is based on the cost of hard copy materials. There is test in most states, along with the different fees.

ORS is still unavailable, last eta is mid-March.

Continuing Education Committee Update

Becky G - A couple of speakers are scheduled for spring, but need our own platform with the recommendation of using Zoom.

They are working on a speaker for May. Dr. Lee Reich from New York state and went to school at the UW Madison. The topic will be weed-less gardening. April 25.

Will pursue two more speakers in the fall.

Diane T – insurance webinar to talk about liability; risk assessment based on their activity per association; liability, directors and committee leads; will go over what each insurance covers; questions to ask when pursuing insurance; etc. Suggested that an email go out to each association to find out answers to these questions.

Provide a list of associations, and member size – Byron H will get this list together. Send an email with what questions have been determined looking for additional concerns.

Looking at March 28, 29, or 31 as a date for the meeting.

Budget Discussion

Byron H – several items in the current 2022 budget will not be used in 2022. These include a conference set up fee and conference speaker fund, for a total of \$3,000; National Junior Horticulture for \$1,500; specialized seminars for \$1,200. There are enough available funds that could be reallocated this year and cover the costs of proposed educational events. The budget in 2023 would need to include new line items for these types of events.

A motion was made by Vicky H to allow the treasurer to change the line items mentioned above to an Educational Fund, not to exceed \$3,200. Jackie S seconded the motion. Approved.

Zoom Discussion

The purchase of Zoom for 1 year at \$149.00 and doing an add-on at times for a large meeting of \$50/month for 500 attendees or \$90/month for 1000 attendees.

Administrator use news@wimga.org email account, so it is easy for others to access it. Funds for this purchase would be reallocated from the Web Pages fund to a new Zoom Account fund.

Diane T made a motion to purchase a Zoom account as presented in the documentation, second by Hali D. Approved.

New Business

None

Adjournment

Jackie S made a motion to adjourn, second by Diane T. Approved.

Adjourned at 5:37 pm.