

WIMGA Board Meeting – October 6, 2022

President Marilyn G called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm.

Roll call:

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

Excused: Dawn H, Linda G, Laurie M

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Vicky H to approve the minutes as amended, Diane T seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Update

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

Continuing Education Committee Update

Becky G reported that the committee has been meeting, planning for next year. Discussed changing day of week and where in the month if falls.

Attendance numbers during the live Zoom meeting:

176 - Plants and Human Well Being, Dr. Irwin Goldman, March 21, 2022

100 – Weed Less Gardening, Dr. Lee Reich, April 25, 2022

222 - Fall Gardening, Megan McAndrews Cowden, July 25, 2022

144 – Under Utilized Bulbs, Zannah Crowe, September 12, 2022

Thursday, December 1, Tovah Martin, Houseplants by Design from the Chicago area.

January, Craig LeHoullier, Growing Epic Tomatoes

February, Dan Mahr, Cacti and Succulents

March, Tovah Martin, In Unison: Combinations for Pollinators

April, Mark Dwyer, Exciting New Annuals

Take summer off when gardening starts.

They are looking into the following topics for the future: trees, moss, native plants, possibly hostas. There was a suggestion to put something in the newsletter asking for ideas from members.

Discussion about budget recommendations for 2023 – currently the rate per speaker for 2023 is \$250.

Communications Committee

There is a meeting scheduled for October. Looking for individuals to wordsmith the main page and the history page, comments about what could be changed.

Facebook discussion – policies; recommendations; how to set it up; who will be administrators. The idea of possibly having someone from each district has access to post.

By Laws Committee

We have met and a draft is out for review within the committee. These will be sent to the board for their input. The timeline is to get these out to the members at least thirty days prior to the annual member meeting of December 1.

Review of Treasurer Job Responsibilities

This was sent out after the last meeting. There were no suggestions or additions. We will look at this after a new treasurer is in place to figure out if duties should be split into more sub committees.

Roseann M has offered to step in as treasurer.

Janet M made a motion to have Roseann M become treasurer, Vicky H seconded.

Approved.

New Business

The annual member meeting is December 1, with Tovah Martin speaking about houseplants.

Do we want to include Jay as part of the meeting? The consensus is that he should be there to give an update of the program office and answer questions. The meeting will be first, then the presentation after. Agenda includes annual treasurers report, budget, overview of the year, vote on the by-laws. Discussion of what percentage of certified master gardeners are still active, and how to retain members.

A suggestion was made to have a meeting with the association presidents. It sounds like a good idea and should be pursued.

The following two counties are disbanding: Sheboygan and Calumet.

Adjournment

Diane T made a motion to adjourn, second by Vicky H. Approved.

Adjourned at 6:10 pm.