**MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION OF GENESEE COUNTY MICHIGAN**

**Board of Directors Meeting - Monday, July 19, 2021**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Joanne Gensel at 5:30 pm in her garage.

**Attendees:** Joanne Gensel, President; Loretta Ellwood; 2nd Vice President; Margaret Sowle, Secretary; Kay McCullough, Outreach Director; and Mel Kennedy, Director of Communications.

**Secretary’s Minutes of June 14, 2021:** Motion to approve June 14 minutes was made by Loretta and seconded by Mel.

**President’s Comments:**

There is no room at the GCCARD building for our monthly meetings. However, Barslund said we can use the classroom. Other possible places where we can have our meetings are:

 Churches Banks

 Township Halls Elks

 Flint Golf Course Genesee County Country Club

Items to consider:

We need a facility that can handle approximately 100-120 people.

 What is the rent?

 Can we bring our own food?

 What hours will we have access to the facility?

 Will we need security?

Kay will create a spreadsheet of possible places in the Swartz Creek and Grand Blanc area. Joanne will meet with Kay to check out any locations that appear to meet our needs.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Joanne and Kay will meet before the August Board Meeting to develop a proposed budget for 2022.

**SOP for Project Approval of Mini Grants:**

Funds for Master Gardener projects will be handled by Mini Grants. A SOP will be developed for approval of money for the Mini Grants to the Projects Leaders.

**Native Plant Sale:**

Dick Moldenhauer will go forward with the sale in 2022 to be held at the Farmers Market in Davison.

**Garden Tour Caravan:**

Kay announced that a Garden Tour Caravan for Master Gardeners will be held on Saturday, July 31st and Saturday, August 14th:

 July 31st Flushing area

 August 14th Swartz Creek and Grand Blanc Area

Kay will send out a mass mailing to the membership regarding dates and locations with a map for each area.

**Elections:**

Contact Colleen Putinsky and Dick Moldenhauer to see if they will work on the Elections Committee.

* Sabrina said she will take Loretta’s place as 1st Vice President.
* Joanne Gensel will be Treasurer and 2nd Vice President. We may also get a nomination for 2nd Vice President.

President and Secretary will be for the year 2022. Vice President and Treasurer will be for two years. Mel pointed out that everyone has served their full term. Joanne said that Kay will send out a mass mailing for voting to the membership.

**November Holiday Party:**

The location for the Holiday Party will be the same as our regular monthly meetings. Kay will send out a mass mailing for volunteers to work on the Party.

Any Master Gardener members who would like to attend Board Meetings at any time are welcome to do so. You don’t have to obtain permission from anyone to attend. Just show up! This is your Organization and your Board.

**Close of Meeting:** Moved and 2nd by Kay and Loretta to adjourn meeting. Passed. The meeting was adjourned by President Joanne Gensel at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Margaret Sowle, MGAGCM Secretary.

 **Future Board Meetings**

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| Monday, August 16 | Monday, October 18 |
| Monday, September 13 | Monday, November 15 |

 Time is 5:30 pm. Location or Zoom meetings to be announced later.