**MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION OF GENESEE COUNTY MICHIGAN**

**Membership Meeting Minutes – January 17, 2019**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Vicki Laurin at 7:21 pm.

**Review of Minutes:** Motion and 2nd by Alan Grove & Gerry Erwin to accept the November 15, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. Passed.

**Treasurer’s Report:** The beginning balance on 01DE18 was $24,186.53**.** December income totaled $111.78 and expenses were $1,678.20. The ending balance on 31DE18 was $22,620.19 including the Square account of $705.50.

1. Many thanks to the whole MGAGCM membership for their efforts to reduce expenses and raise revenue in 2018. We started 2018 looking at a $4000 budget deficit and finished the year over $2900 positive to budget!
2. Need (2) volunteers to audit the MGAGCM checking account: Sue Biron and Michelle Chockley volunteered. Thank you!

**Mel Kennedy - Projects Reports:**

**Projects Chairperson**

Ballenger-Miller/Gateway to Flint Dorothy Buldoc-Peppin- NR

Butterfly Garden (Clio) Lori Fournier- NR

Carriage Town Marilyn Nichols- NR

Clio Beautification Linda Vance- NR

Clio Veterans Memorial Tamara Johns- NR

Crossroads Village (Monarch Way Station) Joanie Snyder- NR

Desert Oasis Alicia Ellis / Kay McCullough- NR

DeVries Nature Conservancy(Owosso) Janet Horvath??

Early Childhood Center Tom Lyman- NR

Easter Seals Carol Groat / Betty Draper- NR

Grow Lab Carol Groat- NR

Edible Flint Demonstration Garden Deb Hamilton – NR

Evergreen Cart Judith Lytle-NR

Ask A Master Gardener Alan Grove / Michelle Chockley- NR

GCCARD Gardens Alan Grove/Gwen Barney- NR

Farmers Market – Davison Alan Grove- NR

Farmers Market – Flint Marie Luck-Allard- NR

Farmers Market – Grand Blanc Beth Fromholz-Davies/Alan Grove- NR

First Presbyterian Church-Flint Corrine Kage- NR

First Wesleyan Church Diane Callison- NR

Richfield PSA Vegetable Garden Diane Callison- NR

Flint Twp. Police Dept. Kristi Hunt- NR

Flushing Butterfly Garden Mary Beth Seaward - NR

Flushing City Hall Sylvia Hansen – NR

Flushing River Trail Sylvia Hansen- NR

Genesee County Fair Vicki Perkins- NR

Jr. Master Gardeners Vicki Perkins - NR

Humane Society Maggie Gregg- NR

Swartz Creek Veterans Memorial Maggie Gregg- NR

Hasselbring Senior Center Joyce Wilson- NR

Holly Presbyterian Church Barb Stallcup- NR

Keller Park Bioswale Rain Garden Lorna Woods-Johns- NR

Keller Park Woody Ornamental Garden Lorna Woods-Johns- NR

Library Gardens

* Baker Park (Burton) Diana Callison- NR
* Burton Memorial (Burton) Mary Faith Down- NR
* Genesee District (Pasadena) Sasi Vemuri- NR
* Flint Public Sasi Vemuri- NR
* Jennings Memorial (Montrose) Lois Henderson- NR
* Johnson Memorial (Genesee) Carol Bobb/Scott Murray- NR

Rest Stop Projects

* I-69 Brenda Monty- NR
* I-75 SB Ruth Sutton- NR
* I-75 NB
* US-23 Loretta Elwood- NR

Life Enrichment Center Paul Ross- NR

Longway Planetarium Garden Kathy O’Neill- NR

McLaren Memorial Garden Diane Strang- NR

Otisville Veterans Memorial Park Peggy Banks- NR

Park Place Community Garden Susan Biron- NR

**Alan Grove - Standing Committee Reports:**

Banquet (Spring/Awards) Loretta Ellwood- 1st planning mtg. 30JA19 1:30 @ MSUE

Bulb & Tree Sales TBD

Bus Trip (Educational) Sabrina VanDyke / Joanne Gensel- NR

Clothing Vicki Laurin /Kay McCullough- NR

DTE Vicki Laurin / Kit Puroll – feature article was a ‘Quest’ contest. More to come!

Fall Into Spring Marie Luck-Allard- 1st planning mtg. 10:30 @MSUE

Garden Stones/Plant Stakes/Tool & Garden supplies Dick Moldenhauer- NR

Garden Tour (Educational) Kay McCullough- Date: 23JN19. 1st planning mtg. 23JA19 @ Kay’s house 6 pm.

Holiday Party Peggy Banks / Sharon Kridner – A round of applause for the great party was given by the membership.

Hospitality Gloria Roudebush – Gloria is ill. Send her a card if you remember to. It was a busy month.

Hotline Activity Barslund Judd – There will be Hotline training this year (tbd) but attendees must commit to volunteering several days at the Hotline every month.

Outreach Events Joanne Gensel- NR

Public Relations Mel Kennedy- NR

VMS Ambassadors/VMS Buddies Michelle Chockley/Joanne Gensel/Mary Yelland – Recertify and pay the $20 fee to MSUE by 08FE19!

Website Kay McCullough– NR

**Old Business:**

1. Logo-tabled – still waiting for clarification of the logo-use policy from Mary Wilson.

**New Business:**

1. We have lost several members of our master gardener family recently:
   1. Per Jim Harrow’s family wishes donations can be made to MGAGCM. If you desire to donate in Jim’s name you can send a check to PO Box 981, Grand Blanc, 48480. Please indicate on the check it is for Jim Harrow.
   2. Per Alicia’s family: donations can be made to American Diabetes Association 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900 Arlington, VA 22202 1-800-DIABETES (800-342-2383) or donate online.
   3. George Mysenberge-class of 1990, Shirley Crow-class of 2005 and Glenda Zafiroff-class of 2002
   4. Our sympathies go out to the families of these Master Gardeners.
2. 12x12 stones for Jim and Alicia have been purchased by the board from Carriage Town Missions.
3. MMGA recertification will start soon (deadline 22FE19). Dues are to be paid to MGAGCM and sent (along w/ contact info or MMGA form) to PO Box 981 Grand Blanc, 48480. Bobbie will collect, keep track and send MMGA one check by 01MR19. Our By-Laws read: All Regular members of the Chapter must also be members of the MMGA.
4. ALL CORRESPONDENCE for MGAGCM is to be sent to: PO Box 981, Grand Blanc, 48480. Please don’t send anything to the Extension Office, it risks getting lost.
5. You can still subscribe to the monthly postal delivered hard copy of the DTE. Send a $10.00 check to PO Box 981, Grand Blanc, 48480. Please indicate on check it is for DTE.

**Announcements**:

1. A Jr. MG program will be held in April. Call Vicki Perkins for an application and info.
2. ‘Plants of Distinction’ to be held 04FE19 in Novi.
3. CAMG winter symposium will be 26JA19 at MSU.
4. REMINDER: If U of M-Flint cancels classes due to weather on our meeting date, we WON”T meet either.

**Close of Meeting:** Moved and 2nd byNettie Sparks & Beth Fromholz-Davies to adjourn the meeting. Passed. The meeting was adjourned by President Vicki Laurin at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Dick Moldenhauer, MGAGCM secretary

**2018 MGAGCM Membership Meeting Schedule:**

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| January 17, 2019 | February 21, 2019 | March 21, 2019 |
| April, 18, 2019 Awards Banquet | May 16, 2019 | June 20, 2019 |
| July tbd, 2019 - Picnic @ Crossroads | August 08, 2019 | September 19, 2019 |
| October 17, 2019 | November 21, 2019 (Elections & Party) | December (no meeting) |