**MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION OF GENESEE COUNTY MICHIGAN**

**Board of Directors Meeting - Monday, September 13, 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; Sabrina VanDyke, 1st Vice President; Loretta Elwood, 2nd Vice President; Margaret Sowle, Secretary; and Mel Kennedy, Director of Communications.

Joanne asked the Board members to come early between 4 and 4:30 pm for this month’s general meeting.

We are going to setup for Zoom.

Joanne suggested we open an account with Square since they have purchased Weebly which we use on an ongoing basis.

**Secretary’s Report:** Motion was made and 2nd by Sabrina and & Loretta to accept the August 16th Board meeting minutes as corrected. Passed.

**2022 Budget:**

The 2022 proposed budget was approved with one no vote. Joanne called the “no” voter and addressed the issues for the “no” vote. The budget passed. As of September 13, we currently have a $23,300.00 balance.

**Election Nominations:**

Joanne contacted Dick Moldenhauer and we have all positions covered.

Alan Grove has been nominated to be the Director of Social Activities. Mel Kennedy will be on the Social Activities Committee. We will try to get Beth Fromholz-Davies on the Hospitality Committee.

**Spending Money:**

Master Gardner Signs:

Get signs that say “Master Gardeners on Duty” such as a vertical sign. Separately, look at different options such as banners and check costs on each option.

Master Gardener Stones:

Get stones that say “Master Gardener.” Dick Moldenhauer would like new molds for the stones in different shapes such as round, rectangular, triangular, etc. Also make stones that say “1,000 hours” or “3,000 hours.”

Joanne suggested we conduct a contest to come up with a logo design for Master Gardeners of Genesee County that we can use on our stones, signs, etc. instead of the current MSU logo.

Plant Signs:

Members can return unwanted plant signs to Dick Moldenhauer to be re-cycled to full-fill new plant sign requests.

Web Camera:

Barslund suggested we get a web camera and he will check out web cameras for quality and prices.

Joanne suggested we buy a laptop computer that travels with the Secretary or the Director of Communions. This suggestion was tabled for future consideration.

**Mum Money Maker:**

Sabrina suggested we do a Mum Sale next fall by buying 8” mum plants for us sell to members and others at the Farmers Markets. Sabrina will follow-up and provide further details.

Joanne will ask the Senior Center to store the popcorn maker at the center for us and they can use it also.

Joanne said Barslund is not sure if the Hot Line will be continued. More information will follow.

**Close of Meeting:** Moved and 2nd by Sabrina and Loretta to adjourn meeting. Passed. The meeting was adjourned by President Joanne Gensel at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Margaret Sowle, MGAGCM Secretary.

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.

**Future Board Meetings**

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| Monday, October 18 | Monday, November 15 |

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