Jefferson County Master Gardener Volunteer Association – September 20, 2012 meeting Location: Jefferson County UW Extension

**General Meeting** – called to order at 6:45

**Approve Minutes** – April minutes (not approved in May due to lack of quorum) - Motion to approve Debbie S., seconded Maggie S. Approved

May minutes – motion to approve Eve W, seconded Debbie S. Approved.

**Approve Treasurer's Report** – Balance of \$3973.31 reported.

Outstanding checks - \$50 – Learning Store – Level 1 training materials for reference.

Activity – \$25 July Potluck

\$72 for Fair Tickets

\$14.86 for Scrapbook for news items and photos

Income - \$28.00 Coir bricks sold at Farmer's Market

Motion to approve Eve W., seconded Audray W. Approved.

## **Old Business**

- 1. Clothing Two blue Tees (L, XL) still available for \$10. See Audray. New order planned next spring.
- 2. <u>Web Page</u> now live at http://fyi.uwex.edu/mgvjefferson/ We are still adding content. Send project information and photos to Heidi or Bev.
- 3. Floor

## **New Business**

## 1. Election of Officers.

**President Elect – Donna H**. was nominated by Mike H., seconded by Eve W. Frankie F. moved to close nominations. Approved by Voice Vote.

**Treasurer** - **Mary T** was nominated for a second term as Treasurer by Eve W, seconded by ?, Frankie F moved to close nominations. Approved by Voice Vote.

(Per the revised By-Laws, the terms of the Secretary and Treasurer are to be staggered. A coin was flipped at a previous meeting, Mary T won, and opted to stand for re-election in September. Bev D will have one extra year added to her term as Secretary, extending it through 2013.)

<u>2. Committee Discussion</u> – The following committees are defined in the by-laws. They can support and spread the word about the work of our members, and help provide education and encourage participation of MGVs. Volunteers listed here volunteered, additional volunteers are needed in each:

<u>Membership Committee</u> – "address member recruitment, retention, rewards, and orientation" Per By-laws, chaired by Past President, currently Ron L. Maggie S and Audray W volunteered. <u>Outreach Committee</u> – "assist in planning for educational outreach in the community and increase awareness of MGV program". Examples are County Fair, Farmers Markets, maintain Scrap Book. Sharon S will chair, Bev D, Sue Z and Margaret A volunteered.

*Program Committee* – " plan MGV educational programs for the year"

Mary T, Ron L and Judy F volunteered. Mary will chair, but a non-officer would be preferable, if anyone is interested in leading this group. All Members encouraged to recommend programs.

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<u>Project Committee</u> – " review requests for assistance with projects in the community, make recommendations to the organization, recruit volunteers, and report on status of projects with help of the UW Ext. Agent as needed."

Chaired by Vice President, currently Donna H. Mike Hot., Sue Z., Judy F. volunteered. Members are reminded to fill out project forms to build a list of current projects and send them to Diane K or Bev D.

## 3. Floor

- <u>State Conferences</u> 2012 WIMGA conference was held in Ashland Sept 14, 15. Several members attended.
  - o 2013 conference will be in Rock County.
  - o 2014 in Outagamee.
  - Note, WIMGA is developing a new logo
- <u>Grants</u> State WIMGA grant deadline is September 30. Sue Z volunteered to write and submit grants for the group with specifics of each proposal to come from MGs representing the various projects that would benefit Hoard, Fair and Outreach, WE GROW. The JCMGVA may submit one grant in each of 3 categories \$400, \$250, \$100.
  - Following discussion of proposed projects and uses, and a Voice Vote (Sue K. abstaining), the following will be submitted:
    - A \$400 grant will be requested to <u>offset speaker fees</u> for a one day Historic / Heirloom Gardening Conference to be held September 14, 2013 at <u>Hoard Historical Museum</u>. All fees collected from attendees will be used to defray costs of speakers and meals, the Museum will not profit from the event.
    - A \$250 grant will be requested to help buy <u>Jefferson County specific banners</u> to be used at the <u>Fair Ground and at Market events</u> where the MGV's maintain an informational presence. (we have been using general banners from the state organization, which are worn, and must be picked up and returned to Madison at each use). No cost estimate or specifications were available at the meeting Heidi J will check with Susan M, Diane K will check NASCO cost, Margaret A to provide more info.
    - A \$100 grant will be requested to procure material for a <u>cold frame</u> to be used at West Elementary and the <u>WE GROW</u> project. Diane K and Mike Hot to provide details.

Notification of any grants rewarded will be before year end.

Noted that discussion of possible 2014 grant requests will be put on the agenda for the May 2013 meeting, to ensure adequate thought and preparation time.

- <u>2013 Dues</u> are now due to Mary T \$10 for Voting Members (Certified MGs), \$5 for Friends and Associates. Please get dues in before November
- <u>2012 Hourly Reporting</u> is due to Bev D by September 30. You may send them electronically or by ground mail.

**Moved to Adjourn** - meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Education - Emerald Ash Borer - current status and Extension recommendations for treatment - Heidi J.

Support time – 1.0 hour Education time – 1.0 hour

In Attendance: Margaret A, Dennis B, Beverly D, Judy F, Donna H, Mike Hol, Mike Hot, Lenore J, Diane K, Sue K, Deborah K, Allen L, Jane N, Barb S, Sharon S, Maggie S, Debbie S, Sue S, Jeannie T, Mary T, Audray W, Eve W, Susan W, Sue Z, Frankie F, Stacy S, Tim S.