

SEWMG Business Meeting Minutes  
Date April 11, 2012

**Members Present: 26**

**Meeting was called to order** by President Dan Cummings at 9:31am.

**Prior Meeting Minutes** for March 14, 2012 was presented by Secretary, Linda Ziebell. Minor changes to dates were made: Jerry Nelson date is 5/30, plant sale digs began on 4/10. They were approved with modifications.

**Treasurer's Report** for March 2012 was given by Treasurer, Patty Witt and approved as read.

**Old Business**

- Committees
  - In House Education – Kathleen Hochevar and Peg Fleury reported:
    - March program well received. Discussed survey of program attendees.
    - April 18 speaker is at the Waukesha Court House at 9:30am and has a sign up sheet. New Genesis speaker.
  - Garden Support – Mary Thiele reported:
    - Garden Forum March 15 – good turn out. One forum a year will be held in spring.
    - Volunteer Fair, March 27, 'Think Green'. Had an excellent turn out. Garden leaders were happy to be there. Displays and layout were excellent. Next year it will be done by a different committee.
    - Garden visits will be discussed at today's meeting.
    - June 23<sup>rd</sup> is garden tour; Janet Wintersberger will be coordinating and is looking for additional assistance. Please let her know if you can assist.
  - Plant Sale – Patty Witt
    - 600 plants potted on Tues
    - Sat, 4/14 is kit making at Eble park
    - Next Tues begins more Pot-a-Thons. Schedule will be kept up to date on website.
    - Plant Sale is May 19 and 21. May 18, from 3pm to -7pm is member sale and silent auction.
    - Kris will send another email to SEWMG members to like and share.
    - Kris posted to face book last night and looking for input to put out. Would like to update 2 or 3 times a week.
  - Home Show – Faouzi Kablaoui reported:
    - It went well.
    - 8,000 visitors, 5,160 brochures.
    - Mary Thiele thought it was a great experience to meet and share knowledge.

- Life Long Gardening – Kay Costello reported:
  - A tool workshop will be held next Tues at Waukesha County.
  - Will be going to the Waukesha home makers group in May.
  - Display will be at rotary garden at end of month.
- Website – Judy Williamson reported:
  - A change will be made to update hour reporting form.
  - Document Page has stake information about ordering for your garden.
  - Approved gardens need to be updated by Nancy Lehrer.
  - Judy Savage did an in service on the web sites available. She made copies available to meeting attendees and Judy Williamson will make available on website.
- Other
  - Doris Fons said the May 9<sup>th</sup> business meeting will have sign up for Jerry Nelson on Wed, May 30. June 5<sup>th</sup> will be the start of sign up via email up for the 7/20 bus trip to Allen Centennial Garden, Song Sparrow and Rotary Garden. Can only do 1 bus. Capacity is 55. There will be a box lunch at Rotary to allow more time.
  - Doris suggests that Sharon should document what Nancy and Kathy do and distribute to SEWMG members. Dan will try to get the message to Sharon. Judy will try to create a document and provide it for Kathy and Nancy's review/changes.

### **New Business**

- Art in Bloom had 14,000 people.
- Ruth Marshall is involved with the invasive species survey in Merton and Delafield Township. She is in need of assistance.
- Judy Savage – reed grass is growing into Lake Michigan on the Escanaba, MI shoreline.

### **Announcements:**

- Next meeting will be held at MCCE on 5/09 at 9:30am.
- Boerner June 15<sup>th</sup> fund raiser.
- April 19<sup>th</sup> 9am at Boerner if you want to volunteer for events Includes breakfast.

**Adjourned:** at 10:25am

Respectfully submitted, Linda Ziebell, SEWMG secretary