

SEWMG Business Meeting Minutes
Date October 12, 2011

Members Present: 21

Meeting was called to order by: by President Mary Thiele at 9:30am.

Nuggets that were shared: Marcia Zientek went to Dan Miszczaks' funeral and announced that it was very moving and that he was a very avid gardener, who had once been very active in MGV. Judy Savage stated that after the board gave their approval a donation was made in his name to the WIMGA Foundation, even though he was not active at the time of his death.

What have you seen or learned? Mary Thiele thanked all of the members that showed up for the business mtg. She also alerted us to a new Reference Guide that has been put out for the Garden Chairs.

Prior Meeting Minutes: Minutes from the September mtg. were read by Secretary Mary Redlinger and approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Report was given by Treasurer Joy Towell and approved.

Volunteer Coordinator: Nancy Lehrer gave us a brief up-date on Sharon Morrissey's condition, following her emergency surgery. Nancy also handed out a flyer on "Geranium Nation Challenge" and discussed the collaboration of MPS, UW-Ext. and City of Milwaukee on this program. She also mentioned that the County Fair was successful and they are looking forward to next year.

Old Business: Committees

- A. Finance- Budget Review the date has been changed to Nov. 12, 9:30am. Ruth Marshall announced that the committee has had one mtg. and that letters will go out to those whose budget has been cut. "Belts need to be Tightened"- We have to live within our means.
- B. Garden Support/ Garden Forums – Patty Witt stated that the last mtg. was very successful.
- C. Life-long Gardening – Kay Costello reported that the committee has been very busy with presence at a number of fairs and will be doing a tool inventory on Oct. 15 and our next mtg. will be Nov. 2 at the ext. office.
- D. Plant Sale Committee – Patty stated that they had already begun some "digs", of plants that can be healed into Eble Garden. There will be a committee mtg. on Oct. 27th at 7:00pm to discuss advertizing on facebook. The 2012 Plant Sale will be May 19th.
- E. Long Term Planning Committee - Janet Wintersberger announced that the next mtg. will be postponed till January. There will be a Saturday Workshop , held on Nov.19th, about using our SEWMG web-site.
- F. Program Committee – There will be a presentation on Roses at 9:00am on October 19.

New Business:

A. Hospitality Volunteers:

It was determined that this role be a one year term and that the responsibilities be divided as follows:

Classes – Ann Wied and Sharon Morrisey

Education programs – Peg Fleury and Kathy Hochevar

Business Meetings / purchasing supplies – Mary Redlinger

B. Leadership Committee – Janet stated that we still had some vacancies to fill, so if anyone wants to run or could suggest someone please let Janet know.

C. The Christmas Party/Annual Meeting – will be held at Meyer's Restaurant and Bar, 4260 S. 76th St. Greenfield, WI on Dec. 14.

Adjourned: at 10:17am

Respectfully submitted,
Mary E. Redlinger, SEWMG secretary

Next mtg. will be our Annual Mtg. on Dec. 14