

## SEWMG Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2019

### Members Present-27

**The meeting was called to order at 7:34 by president, Jennifer Lazewski.**

#### **Prior Meeting Minutes**

The minutes from the February 2019 meeting were approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's reports for February and March 2019 were presented by Lars Papham.

#### **UWEX Horticulture Educator Report**

Caitlin Sprague reported:

- Vijai Pandian has been hired as horticulture educator for Milwaukee and Racine/Kenosha. He started in Racine/Kenosha yesterday – he will be 60% Racine Kenosha, 40% Milwaukee. He will be the horticulture specialist. He will be doing Fox 6 segments - they started yesterday. He plans to be in Milwaukee Monday and Thursday.
- Caitlin is the master gardener coordinator - 60% Milwaukee, 40% Racine/Kenosha .
- They are uploading projects into system for time reporting. Master gardeners should NOT start loading hours yet. The expectation is to have the system up and running by mid May.
- There will be two level 1 trainings in the Fall – one in Waukesha on Monday afternoon and one in West Allis on Wednesday evening at Summit Place.
- We will most likely be getting a new logo.

#### **Committee Reports**

Committee Reports were provided in a handout at the meeting.

#### **New Business**

- **UWEX, State MG and SEWMG organizational structure**  
Jennifer provided a handout with the organizational chart from the volunteer point of view and the Board point of view. She went through the WIMGA and the UW Extension connections. She discussed the responsibilities of the Board of Directors. She explained the Board Committees and Other Committees.
- Board members were introduced.
- Budget and expenses will be discussed at the next meeting.

#### **Announcements**

- Project and Committee Day will be May 11 at Boerner.
- Mary Wolverton announced that the Friends of Monarch Trail are having a fundraiser on April 17. See [themonarchtrail.org](http://themonarchtrail.org) for more information.
- In House Education Committee needs a new chair. Rita Piper is leaving that position at the end of the year.

#### **Reminders**

**Next meeting in June – date to be announced.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04.

Respectfully submitted, Bernita Hile, secretary