

**OZAUKEE MASTER GARDENERS  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 8, 2021**

Present: Sue Kinas, Jeanne Mueller, Heidi Janous, Walt Schmitz, Laurie Yingling, Jim Tonelli, Kathy Tonelli, Bob Crevensten, Diane Niksa, Susan Blake, Stephanie Plaster

1. Call to Order: 6:46 p.m. Meeting was held via Zoom
2. Approval of January 2021 Executive Board Minutes: A motion to approve was made by Diane Niksa and Heidi Janous seconded. Motion was passed.

**REPORTS**

- a. Financials – Jim presented the monthly Disbursements and Revenue statements along with the Financials. A motion to approve was made by Diane Niksa and Bob Crevensten seconded. Motion was passed.
- b. Projects – Laurie reported she is working on the Project Binder.
- c. Operations – Walt was happy to report Todd Halvorsen has accepted the position of Project Leader for the Education Committee. Dave Antoine will head up the Publicity Committee. The Yard & Garden Line is still looking for help. Laurie Yingling could use an additional person who may be familiar with developing and maintaining the OMG website. We are still looking for someone to replace Roseann St. Aubin who does the newsletter. It was suggested it could be announced at the next general meeting to see if any new members would be interested in taking on this role.
- D. Extension Agent – Stephanie reminded the group that March 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for annual enrollment in order to be able to get credit for volunteer and education hours. After April 1, enrollment will be locked. Stephanie then led a discussion with the group as to how OMG may sync with the Extension group out of Madison. She hopes we may have a clearer picture by the end of 2021.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. WIMGA Liaison Officer – As stated in our bylaws, Sue Kinas will be the liaison for OMG for 2021.
2. Education Chair – Todd Halvorsen has accepted this position.
3. Audit of 2019 & 2020 – Jim feels the annual review should be a permanent agenda item for end of year. Sue will revise the 2019/2020 review to include all information. There was also discussion that an OMG member, who is not on the Board, be involved in the review.
4. Review 2021 Goals for Projects – Laurie is working on it.
5. Review UW Madison Extension Current Information – All Board members have read it. Sue recommended we re-visit the site occasionally to see if changes have been made. Stephanie will provide any information on changes at the Executive Board meetings.
6. Plant Sale – All fundraisers for 2021 have been cancelled.
7. Hales Trail Update – Everything is in place and Stephanie needs to get a form so volunteer and education hours can be recorded.
8. OMG Website – Bob Crevensten may be able to help Laurie with this project. They will discuss it.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. General Membership at Board Meetings – Sue has been contacted by some OMG members who have asked if they can attend the Board meeting. All Board members agreed that it was not a good idea. It was discussed that possibly the Board agenda could be put on the website, or, if someone had something they needed to discuss with the Board, they would be allowed five minutes for discussion and then leave meeting.
2. By-Laws Review and Updates – The by-laws are not up-to-date, but it was decided not to make revisions until we get a clearer picture of how the Madison Extension group will impact us.

**OTHER**

1. Sue suggested we change the annual meeting date to a different month. We will revisit this in August 2021.
2. Board should check with Project and Committee leaders to see if they could use the Zoom license for group meetings.
3. Heidi updated the Board on the purchase of Kathy Awe's park bench and an appropriate plaque. Heidi will send Jim the invoice. A motion to approve this purchase was made by Diane Niksa and Bob Crevensten seconded. Motion was passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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