

Eau Claire Area Master Gardeners Board Meeting, February 13, 2014

Members Present- Erin LaFaive, Andy Heren, Cindy Fever, Ede Strand, Gary Mathis, Daria Hutchinson, Amy Boettcher, Diane Hunter, Lori Kempen.

1. Call to order by Andy at 6:35pm.
2. **Secretary report** reviewed and approved. Jan. board meeting minutes approved.
3. **Treasurer report**, statement printed and reviewed, tres. Ede Strand noted that not all of the bills from the seminar are in to give a final total; outstanding were a few incidentals and the food bill from CVTC.

(Ede also noted that the registration \$\$ were down from last year.)

4. **Erin** We have a master gardener that does their volunteering at the Rutledge Mansion in CF and it does not meet the criteria. It was decided that the gardener would have to do some research to make the garden an educational experience either by having info in the brochure similar to Schlegelmilch house, labeling of the plants etc.

Web-site is charging us \$18.95 a month, we need to decide if we continue with that domain name or find a free or cheaper option. Amy will research options and get back to Erin in the next week.

Extension Office needs to be paid for the 2 scholarships for the new Master Gardener Class, Ede will be writing check.

It was brought up that it would be beneficial to have 2 signers for the checking account. Cindy Fever volunteered to be the second.

5. **Education** Seminar financial numbers not known as not all of the bills have been paid. There was a problem with the online registration and so not all of the money was collected because of this issue.

**Feb**, no meeting

**March 18**, meeting at Mays Floral on Jeffers Road, then car pooling to May's Growing Grounds for a tour of their facility then meeting afterward in their new classroom.

**April 15**, Garden Jeopardy with Darryl Reed. At the extension office.

**May 20** Whitetail Organics talking about worm composting. At the extension office.

**June 19** Jill Barland and Ann Haywood giving a presentation at the Schlegelmilch house

6. **Projects** Diane Hunter, asked for help from a Master Gardener to give a presentation for a lunch and learn with the Health Dept. 30 min. time limit. Darryl Reed was recommended as a possible speaker meeting the time frame.

7. **Old Business** Lee Pelham had sent Lori Kempen an email asking for a donation to the WIMGA State Convention the end of March, noting that we would need to get this to them very soon. The Board decided to donate 2 \$50.00 gift cards from Klehm's Song Sparrow; Lori Kempen volunteered to get them. Motion by Cindy Fever, second by Ede Strand, motion carried.

**Next Meeting March 13, 6:30pm at the extension office.**

Motion to Adjourn by Gary Mathis, seconded by Cindy Fever. Adjournment 7:14pm.

Minutes by Amy Boettcher filling in for Jeanne Mueller