

Eau Claire Area Master Gardeners

Meeting Minutes

**Thursday, February 12, 2015
UW-Extension office, Altoona, WI
6:30 P.M.**

1. Call to Order 6:40pm
 - a. Members Present: Amy Boettcher, Erin LaFaive, Nina Logan, Deb Spickler, Ede Strand, Nancy Spak, Gary Mathis
2. WIMGA Report – Email from Ellen Terwilliger provided an update about a face-to-face meeting at Hancock Station. The Spring Face-to-Face meeting will be held at the Hancock Ag Research Station on Saturday April 4, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
3. Secretary's Report –
 - a. Approve January minutes. Gary made a motion to accept and Nina seconded the motion. All in favor.
4. Treasurer's Report – Ede sent around ledger. Only \$115.85 difference in 2014 end of year total in comparison to 2013.
5. Horticulture Educator Update – Erin
 - a. Gave updates on many programs she is involved with: Hmong Mutual Assistance Association
Hmong Elder Community Garden program is going to be a Jeffers Road Community Garden.
 - b. Greenhouse donations are going well for spring construction.
 - c. Giving a presentation about Herbalism at the NW Region UWEX conference.
 - d. CVTC class is helping design the Teaching garden at Ag Center.
6. Education Program Committee -- Nina, Lori
 - a. March 17, Nancy Spak doing a Wind Chimes workshop, \$21/person.
 - b. April 21st Patty Martin giving a presentation on Garden Tips for Spring
 - c. Looking into having a mushroom id presentation in May or at next WGS
 - d. Discussed sponsoring along with Prairie Enthusiasts for a talk about wetland plants. Ede made a motion and Gary seconded. All in favor.
7. Old Business - none
8. New Business – Nina will talk with Karen Blaeser about reserving barn for plant sale. Tentatively around Aug. 8. Group discussed reasons why 30 somethings aren't at gardening events. Some possible ideas included: family and work commitments; want to learn on-line; want to make-and-take
11. Next meeting March. 12 at the Extension office, 6:30 P.M.
 - a. Look over strategic plan documents that were done a few years ago
 - b. Make a budget
12. Adjourn Nina made a motion, Gary seconded. 7:50pm