

DENTON COUNTY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING

January 4, 2012 10:00 A.M.
County Extension Office

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting chairman Jacqueline Carney called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. In attendance were Diane Almand, Zoe Broxson, Jacqueline Carney, Susie Cook, Susan Cosio, Jenny Estes, Janet Laminack, Diana McMillen, Phyllis Minton, Dale Powell, Sandy Read, Claude Singer, Laurel Wallace, Brenda Wellenreiter, Linda Williams and Donna Wolfe.

II. **MINUTES:** Minutes for the December board meeting had previously been forwarded to the board via email by the Secretary. Printed copies were available at the meeting. The minutes were accepted as presented

III. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** - Brenda Wellenreiter
Brenda reported income for the month of December was \$1,281.00 and expenses were \$1,501.38. The net gain for the year 2011 is \$9,002.66. Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented and will be filed for audit.

IV. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Project Administration – Zoe Broxson

Some projects were removed and all remaining project managers for 2011 were contacted. We have project leaders for all projects with the exception of the Veggie Show in June. Zoe will follow up to get a project manager.

Lynda Harvey has submitted a request for a new project for a Horticulture Workshop. A workshop will be held on January 18th designed to instruct 4H members about various horticulture topics. Lynda has requested a budget of \$50. It was moved by Laurel Wallace and seconded by Susan Cosio to accept this project and allocate \$50. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Communications – Susan Cosio

Mary Morrow has resigned as a member of the communications committee. Susan and her committee is exploring options of a new design for our newsletter and also a new editor. Kere Post has agreed to stay on as photographer and Pat Pape will continue her role in publicity.

C. Education Committee – Claude Singer

Claude supports the education committee have two components; adult education and children's education.

The Residential Landscape Design classes have been scheduled in January. Larry Legg and Shirley Singer will be the presenters. There will be two classes offered; one in Denton and one in Lewisville. Classes are free to the public.

Wayne Farley has joined the Education committee. Linda Harvey and Susan Kilpatrick will continue with the 4-H Project.

D. Audit Committee – Brenda Wellenreiter

LeeAnn Keener has agreed to be part of the audit team. The audit will take place in January.

E. Programs - Linda Williams

Linda reported on programs for 2012. We will have two night meetings. She is working on confirming speakers for the remainder of the monthly meetings.

Our speaker for the February meeting will be Dotty Woodson on Orchids.

F Report from County Coordinator – Janet Laminack

On January 5th at 12:30 at the extension office Jayla Fry will offer training for all board members and committee heads.

G. Report for Volunteer Coordinator - Donna Wolfe

27 interns from the 2011 class have completed their requirements. All veterans have been contacted and advised to report their hours. The anticipated membership for 2012 is approximately 175.

H. Report from Hospitality - Diana McMillen

Diana will visit the Oakmount Country Club today to take care of any last minute details for the upcoming graduation dinner. Jenny gave her thanks to Diana for the wonderful work she has done to make this a special event for all.

I. Garden Shoppe - Sandy Read

Sandy has asked that the garden shoppe inventory that is currently stored in her garage be moved to the extension office. Janet is looking for a secured area that could be used for this purpose. Sandy announced that she has enlisted additional members to serve on the Garden Shoppe committee.

J. Awards Submission - Jenny Estes

Awards committee members Jenny, Diane Almand and Susan Cosio will meet on January 6th to review rough drafts for State Award nominations. Final deadline for submission to the State Committee is February 3rd.

V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS – GROUP DISCUSSION**

A. Plant Sale - Susie Cook

Susie announced that the 2012 plant sale will be held at the Trinity United Methodist Church on April 28th. Set up and pre sale will be on April 27th.

B. 2012 Intern Class - Zoe Broxson

We have 40 candidates that have been invited to the 2012 Intern Program. The first day of class will be February 7th. The intern class committee will meet on January 10th to finalize plans for the class. The committee will also discuss if veterans will be allowed to attend classes and if so, how many, should there be a fee, and if there is a fee where should the money be budgeted to?

C. President's Awards

Presidents Awards will be presented at the March meeting. Donna is finalizing members service hours to see who qualify for the award. Currently there are 40 members that qualify.

D. Budget – Dale Powell

Dale submitted his preliminary 2012 budget for discussion. Most committee chair/project managers have been contacted and submitted their 2012 budget request. The finalized budget will be presented and voted on by the membership at the February membership meeting.

E. Retreat Items – Jacqueline Carney

Outstanding retreat items that need to be addressed:

Behind the Scenes garden tours – Linda Williams is working on

Internal/External Communications – Susan Cosio and her committee are working on

The DiG - no report, need to contact Cindy Reese

Member Requirements – nothing to report

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 1st, 2012, 10:00 a.m.