

Hanover Master Gardener Association
General Membership Meeting
Via Zoom
December 3, 2020

Minutes

Pattie Bland, President, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and welcomed everyone to a new kind of Association meeting. There were 35 participants at the meeting.

Ginny Nicholas, HMGA Meetings, introduced Dave Slack, from the Department of Forestry, who spoke on "Native Trees and Their Benefit to Wildlife."

Pattie stated that there would be a short meeting and introduced Doris Gullotta.

Doris, Nominating Committee Chair, presented the results of the election for the HMGA Board of Directors. The elected officers for 2021 are Pattie Bland, President; Annette Schanz, Vice President; Pat Reyes, Treasurer; and Wayne Bryant, Secretary. Additional voting members include Betty Jane Hughes, Christy Brennan, Linda Hazelwood, Lisa Willis, Jane White, and Julie Givler. Doris emailed the ballot to HMGA members and received 38 replies. Doris thanked the other members of the committee.

Angelette Pryor, Volunteer Coordinator, reported that 12 people have been accepted for MG Training for 2021. The trainees are Janet Bailey, Katrina Hart, Katherine Hebert, Susannah Merritt, Kevin Muldowney, Corinna Muldowney, Crystal Nelson, Becky Ross, Melanie Smith, Katrina Suarez, Caroline Velazquez, and Jamaal Willis. Training will start in January via Zoom. Angelette invited everyone to a year-end celebration via Zoom, scheduled for December 14, and asked everyone to have a glass ready for a toast. Pattie will present a PowerPoint retrospective and annual report of the accomplishments of the HMGA in 2020. MGs can go to the office for free internet; check with Angelette. Angelette held a Zoom MG meeting on November 18, 2020, for required Civil Rights, Risk Management, and Working with Youth training. The meeting was recorded and is available to MGs who were not able to attend the live meeting. Please notify Angelette when you complete this training.

Pattie thanked Ginny Nicholas, Vice President, for her service. She is stepping down at the end of the year, and a Visa gift card from the HMGA is on the way.

Members were reminded that the next BOD meeting will be on January 18, 2021. The December 3, 2020, HMGA General Membership meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bryant
Secretary