

Hanover Master Gardener Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Extension Office & Zoom
January 24, 2022

Minutes

Pattie Bland, President, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., and confirmed a quorum. She welcomed the new Board of Directors to the first meeting of 2022.

The reading of the minutes of the November 15, 2021, Board of Directors meeting; the November 16, 2021, HMGA meeting; the December 14, 2021, General Membership meeting; and the January 13, 2022, HMGA meeting was waived. The minutes were approved as previously distributed.

Pat Reyes, Treasurer, provided the financial report through December. The report stated a balance in checking of \$2,577.58 and a CD balance of \$16,600.89. Pat reported having received payments for 2022 dues that were not deposited until January. The report was accepted, pending review.

Angelette Pryor, Volunteer Manager, stated that she will be working remotely for the near future. Planned asbestos abatement will not be scheduled until at least July. Angelette reminded all MGs to check their status on Better Impact and to update the required statements. Angelette stated that MG training has had to adapt to the loss of Covenant Woods as a meeting site. She said that hopefully they would be able to use the conference room at the Extension office. She stated that Jane White and Kate Sandy are doing a wonderful job of handling the changes (MG Training report attached). Angelette stated that Jess Soffee, 4H, is settling in and that they are planning to offer "Working with Youth" training this year. Angelette asked Buz Sawyer about a Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens request for HMGA's participation with their Seed Library Program. Buz explained that the Seed Library is a "traveling road show" and the first show is in Hanover County. LGBG is requesting a Plant Clinic presence from MGs in each county that hosts the Seed Library.

Eleanor Fukushima, VP/Meetings, thanked Angelette for the list of possible speakers that she provided. She asked the BOD if she could schedule meetings for the third Thursday of each month. The Board agreed that would be a good starting point. She said that she had been looking for locations for meetings and had contacted every facility where the HMGA had previously held a meeting. The Montpelier Park, Hanover Courthouse Ruritan Park, the DSS Building, Hanover Public Libraries, and the Extension Office were discussed as possible locations. Pattie suggested David Howard, Hanover County Public Works Chief of Operations and Maintenance, as a speaker. Angelette suggested a Forester from the Virginia Department of Forestry as a possible speaker. Eleanor stated that she was not familiar with all the modes of communication available for use by MGs. She proposed a program to inform all HMGA members of the available and planned methods of communication.

Doris Gullotta, Nominating Committee, stated that she will cover the position of president in February. The committee will continue to seek a volunteer for the position. She will continue with the format used at this meeting at the February meeting. She stated that she sent out the 2022 Project Contact List last week.

Pattie stated that the first 2022 Home Gardening Series presentation was on January 15 at the Atlee Library. She said that Katrina Hart is doing a wonderful job (see HGS report attached). Pattie said that VMGA members were sent an updated membership list last week. Additional reports and information distributed to the Board prior to this meeting are appended below.

Pattie stated that the next BOD meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2022. The January 24, 2022, meeting of the HMGA Board of Directors was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Present: Pattie Bland, Eleanor Fukushima, Pat Reyes, Wayne Bryant, Linda Hazelwood, Lisa Willis, Jane White, Doris Gullotta, Angelette Pryor, Kate Sandy, Birdie Porter, Sammie Daou, Bob Durbin, Judy Durant, Buz Sawyer, Mary Wagner, Becky Blake, and Juanita Wrenn. The attendance sheet will be attached to the file copy of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bryant
Secretary



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