## Hanover Master Gardener Association General Membership Meeting Taylor Park Complex September 16, 2023

Vice President Eleanor Fukushima welcomed everyone at noon. She invited the attendees to proceed to the buffet.

Kate Sandy, Co-president, read the names of all MG trainees who had completed their required hours to become Master Gardener interns and presented those present with their MG Intern certificates. She read the names of all MGs that had reached milestone volunteer service hours and presented those present with their service award certificates.

Christy Brennan, State Fair Coordinator, announced that evening shifts for the MG booth at the Virginia State Fair are now available. She had tickets for those who signed up. Additional shifts will be listed on BI. Bosha Nelson explained the "Good Bug – Bad Bug" theme for the fair.

Noel Oakes, HGS, stated that the first HGS program will be presented on October 22, with additional programs scheduled for the third Saturday of each month. He welcomed volunteers to attend HGS planning meetings, sign up to volunteer to help with set-up and clean-up, or to just attend for educational credit. Information is available on BI.

Bob Durbin reminded MGs to volunteer for and participate in the annual <u>Ashland Harvest Run</u> sponsored by the GFWC Ashcake Woman's Club on October 21. The proceeds are donated to two organizations each year, with the HMGA one of the recipients this year. They have asked the HMGA to help support this year's run with two tables and about six volunteers.

Sandy Pence, Co-President, wearing a cockroach costume, reminded the MGs to volunteer for Bug Bizarre on October 7. See BI for details. She then oversaw the plant swap for those who participated.

The September HMGA General Membership Meeting was adjourned.

The next BOD meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2023. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Present:** The attendance sheet will be attached to the file copy of these minutes.

## Respectfully submitted,

## Wayne Bryant Secretary