

Hanover Master Gardener Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Extension Office
April 17, 2023

Minutes

Kate Sandy and Sandy Pence Co-Presidents, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and confirmed a quorum.

The reading of the minutes of the March 20, 2023, Board of Directors Meeting was waived. The minutes were approved as previously distributed.

Pat Reyes, Treasurer, provided the financial report through March 31, 2023. The report stated a balance in checking of \$7,552.20 (\$3,053.17 earmarked for the HLC) and a CD balance of \$14,605.04. The report was accepted, pending review.

Angelette Pryor, Volunteer Manager, wished everyone a Happy Volunteer Week, thanking the MGs for all they do to support VCE. She reminded the MGs of the well water class in June. She stated that the new MG Handbook was now available online and the hardcopy would be available to MGs and the public soon. Angelette said that Hanover VCE will have an intern this summer. Angelette stated that an "Interests and Skills" survey was sent out to all MGs a few days ago.

Holly Owens, Horticultural Learning Center, stated that an HLC workday was held on April 14. Seven interns, five MGs, and one community volunteer participated in placing and leveling the raised beds. To date, 51 volunteers have recorded 835 hours in the HLC project. Bob Durbin's report and additional information is attached below.

Kate Sandy asked everyone to please attend the MG meeting on May 8, to recognize the thirty MGs who worked in support of the 2023 MG training classes. She stated that only half of what was budgeted for the 2023 training class was spent. Kate stated that the Membership Committee is finalizing work on encouraging MG membership in the HMGA and hopes to present the committee's report next month.

Lisa Willis stated that there will not be social time before the May 15, BOD meeting. Instead, Lisa said that after the BOD meeting, the group would make table decorations for the Spirit of Volunteerism Awards. She asked BOD members to bring a dish to share for lunch, after the decorations were finished. Lisa also stated that more MG participation is needed at Plant Clinics. She reminded the BOD that interns are not able to volunteer for PCs without an MG having also volunteered for the same shift.

Beckey Watson, Educational Grants Committee, has received a grant request from the Ashland Community Preschool for restoration of raised beds in front of the Hanover Arts and Activities Center. An additional request from New Song Community Garden was also received. Both requests were evaluated by the Committee. The Committee recommended that the BOD approve both. The Board requested more time to review the recommendations and decided to table the grants until the next meeting. Sandy Pence, Co-president, suggested that the whole grant process may need review.

Val Kish discussed the MG College scholarship grants and application forms that were approved at the last BOD meeting.

Pat Reyes, Plant Sale, reported that 560 pots of plants were potted at the potting party, and 104 bags of compost were filled for sale. The 40-pound bags of compost will sell for \$8 each. Ed Wall is growing tomatoes and some peppers. Katrina Hart and Sandy Pence are making and painting gourd birdhouses. Pat will be going to Sandy's Plants to pick up some blooming plants. Pat reminded anyone who is bringing additional plants for the sale on Friday not to arrive before 6:00 p.m. Transportation of tents, tables, demonstration equipment, and additional logistics were sorted out. Fingers are crossed for nice weather and a profitable sale.

Additional reports are appended below.

The next BOD meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2023. The April 17, 2023, meeting of the HMGA Board of Directors was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Present: Kate Sandy, Sandy Pence, Pat Reyes, Wayne Bryant, Linda Hazelwood, Doris Gullotta, Anne Margaret White, Lisa Willis, Birdie Porter, Juanita Wrenn, Angelette Pryor, Val Kish, Carol Brown, and Holly Owens were in attendance. The attendance sheet will be attached to the file copy of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bryant
Secretary



HMGA Activity
Reports for April 2023