

St Charles County Master Gardener
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes (FINAL)

10 June 2022

Attendees: Laura Steimel, Catherine Ebone, Rebecca Poon, Jan Carron, Cindy Platzer

Call to Order: Laura Steimel called the meeting to order at 9:05am

Secretary's Report: Catherine Ebone

Steering Committee meeting minutes for 13 May 2022 were approved as written. Catherine confirmed quorum.

Treasurer's Report: Rebecca Poon-

The financial report for the end of May 2022 was provided. Net monthly change and cash in bank was listed. Revenue and Expense totals with net income for May 2022 were shown.

MU Horticulturalist Specialist: Debi Kelly

Debi was not in attendance. It was announced that we have a signed offer for the STL/STCC Horticulture Field Specialist. The candidate's name is Eli Isele and the projected start date is July 1.

Extension Council: Patti Kolek

An Open House has been scheduled for Brown Campus Aug. 4 from 4-6 pm for corporate businesses in the area.

A contractor has been hired to strip, wax and seal floors in C room. The lighting will be fixed and changed to LED and a new ice maker will be installed.

Committee Reports-

Membership: Waneta Parmenter, Bonnie Winkeler-

Pins and badges will be presented at the June General Membership meeting. Ten St. Charles County residents have completed MG online training. Nine were listed in Monday Morning News. Terry Johnson (Jackie Johnson's husband) should have also been included on that list.

CE & AT: Bonnie Winkeler-

Check Monday Morning News for education opportunities.

Plant Sale: Marsha Brown, Catherine Ebone

Marsha is working on plant sale expenditures. Plastic needs to be replaced in greenhouse.

Greenhouse: Laura Steimel, Nancy Torke-

A motion was made to approve \$900 for supplies to replace 2 layers of plastic in the greenhouse. It was approved. Laura is seeking bids to see what it would cost for installation. Original plan was for MGs to install.

A motion was made to add \$600 to the greenhouse operations budget for electricity. It was approved.

Communication: Mary Medina, Mary Carey-

The zoom license has been renewed.

Roger Davis and Mary Medina have been coordinating maintenance of the MG website.

Laura Steimel and Mary Medina have been posting on Facebook.

Jan has set up a replacement YouTube channel.

Demo Gardens: Cindy Platzer, Marsha Brown-

A motion was made and approved to add \$2568.20 to the Demo Garden budget

Speakers: Val Mertz-

June 23: Emma Klues, Vice President of Communication and Outreach/Great Rivers Greenway will speak at 6:30 pm at the Extension Office

July 28: Todd Higgins will be back to talk about Cover Crops in Gardens.

August 25: Open

September 22: Still being negotiated.

October 27: Bob Richardson "The Bug Guy" He is an Entomologist and national award winning photographer of bugs in the garden.

Hort Line: Patti Kolek-

Hort Line is doing fine.

Education: Jan Carron-

Pati Kolek has agreed to chair the education committee.

She announced that there will be another education committee meeting next Tuesday.

Education committee will be an umbrella organization to have sub groups such as boys and girls club, and farmers markets to report to it.

Old Business:

501(c)(3) committee is working on bylaws revision and policies are being discussed and issues resolved.

St. Charles Historic Garden—Terri Scheer

Nothing new.

Farmers markets are going well.

Boys and Girls Club started as of June 9th. It went well.

Next meeting July 8, 2022

Meeting was adjourned at 10:28 am

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Ebone