Lincoln County Master Gardener Association
Board of Directors Meeting
12 April 2010

Board Members Present: Bill Biernacki, Pam McElroy, Jeff Olsen, Cathy Fitzhugh, Linda Cook, Ruth Deforest, Charles Dallas

Others Present: Anne Irving, Cathi Block, Mary-Jane Bonelitz, Rick Anderson, Liz Olsen, Sally Noack, Alice Mitchell, Sam Angima

CALL TO ORDER: Bill Biernacki called the meeting to order at 9:40 am.

MINUTES: Minutes from the 8 March Board meeting are approved.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

TREASURER’S REPORT: (Cathy Fitzhugh)
Certificate of Deposit: $3249.53
Checking: $4729.59
Savings: $4953.02
Total $12,932.14

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: (Pam McElroy) Rick Anderson will be organizing the Oregon Gardens Field Trip.

EXTENSION AGENT: (Sam Angima) The issue was raised of installing a honey beehive at the Newport Demonstration garden. There is a non-MG volunteer who offered to set it up, maintain it and remove it at the end of the year. Liability issues were discussed and the decision made to not pursue this project.

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AUDIT REPORT: (Liz Olsen) Liz and Judy Butts completed the annual Treasurer Audit Report and made it available to the board. Liz explained the protocol used during the audit and lauded Cathy’s transition into the position. Future recommendations include streamlining the records that are currently kept, completing an equipment inventory list, continuing progress with offsite data storage, clarifying the method to denote when the Board President does the annual insurance review, ensure two people (other than the Treasurer) count incoming cash with a third person present, and having the Board review the current cash reserve requirement. Overall, the audit went well, the Treasurers (past and present) have done a great job and the Treasurer’s Handbook in phenomenal.

VERMICOMPOSTING: (Pam McElroy) Pam computed the construction costs, did market research and concluded that they could be sold for $30-35 each, which includes the bin, bedding, starter worms and instructions. There was discussion about whether the price was a bit high, but Sam mentioned that worm bins are quite expensive and the
complete package we’re providing makes the suggested price very reasonable. Pam suggested doing a demonstration at each event where bins would be offered for sale.

**CALENDARS:** Nancy Dixon has asked to have one person appointed to collect calendar entries and then give them to the newsletter staff. Alice Mitchell will gather calendar items to add to the calendar she already maintains for the office staffing and that will serve as the single calendar source.

**LINCOLN CITY COMMUNITY GARDENS:** JoDana, due to personal events, will not be able to remain in charge of the Lincoln City and Taft Community Gardens this year and is looking for someone to help her with administering the gardens during this period.

**LINCOLN CITY DEMONSTRATION GARDEN:** (Rick Anderson) All projects previously discussed have been completed and within budget.

**ANNUAL AWARD COMMITTEES:** Bill appointed the past two MG’s of the Year and Behind the Scenes MG’s of the Year to form a committee to choose the 2010 nominees.

**BRICK PURCHASE:**
*MOTION* - Jeff made a motion to purchase a brick at the Oregon Coast Community College for $100 on behalf of the LCMGA. Approved.

Anne Schatz, Secretary  
Lincoln County Master Gardener Association