

CGMGA Executive Committee Meeting

Date: November 21, 2005
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Hood River County Extension Office

Set date for January Meeting - January 9, 2006

Secretary's Report - Debbie read October minutes which were approved with one clarification. For recertification, returning Hood River County Master Gardeners are required to attend 24 total hours of classroom training with 12 of those hours from the new Master Gardener training (page two paragraph 3.)

Treasurer's Report - Lee reported a checking account balance of \$374.35 and money market account balance of \$5150.50. Budget cycle is January to December.

Business

- Weiss invoice for composting station - A check from Weiss was received for \$337.30 which is the total amount due. Because of the circumstances, the committee decided to return half of the cost to the Weiss' (\$168.65) with a letter to be signed by Laurie, Lynn and Elizabeth.
- Bylaw change for audit - Dede submitted the following by-law change:
 - Article V, Section 2. Audit Committee: The Audit Committee shall consist of the President, Vice President, and one additional person(s) appointed by the Executive Committee from the membership at large. This person(s) shall not be a member of the Executive Committee. The Audit Committee will conduct audits quarterly and report results to the Executive Committee.

The committee approved the bylaw change and it will be sent out to the general membership in the next newsletter for review. It will then be presented at the next Association meeting for a vote.

- Learning Garden plant sale - The committee approved a request by the Learning Garden Steering Committee to hold a plant sale in the early Spring with all proceeds going towards Learning Garden projects.
- Year-In-Advance Calendar (to include all things to be discussed in Nov)
 - Seeds and Soils is in need of a co-chair. Cheri & Lynn will coordinate.

- Dede will get a complete list of CGMGA projects from Laurie for review.
- Executive Committee agreed to form a subcommittee to review the bylaws. Laurie, Janet and Cheri volunteered. Elizabeth suggested they contact Leslie Haskell. Laurie will also contact Rita Saling.

Each county will have their advisory committee review for accuracy and completeness the Survival Manual (Wasco Co.) and Guide to Becoming a Master Gardener (Hood River Co.) before the new classes start. The Executive Committee will then review both documents for items concerning joint projects.

Reports

- OMGA - Glenda attended the last OMGA meeting. She submitted copies of the 4th Quarterly report, 2005 OMGA Mini-College Summary, and OMGA Record Retention Policy. Jan McNeilan will stay on as temporary program director and would like ideas for 30th anniversary mini-college celebration activities. Endowment fund is up to \$54,000.00.
- Hood River County - Elizabeth reported that HR MG classes begin January 11th. She, Margo and Dede were on the radio talking about each county's classes. Additionally, Margo is recording PSA's for both counties to generate program publicity. Elizabeth requested all Hood River County publicity go through her for coordination.

Junior Master Gardener classes are going well as a new program in conjunction with 4-H. Bill and Lauree Winfield will be coordinating plant clinics this coming year. Calendar sales are stalled. The committee agreed that Peggy should be invited to the December meeting to see if she needs help generating sales.

- Wasco County - Lynn reported that Wasco County classes are beginning February 15th at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.
- Other - Cheri reported that plant clinics went into October. A Soil Testing Committee has been formed and will be trained to do soil testing in February. A packet has been compiled for each client. Soil testing begins in March and costs \$15 per test.

Janet reported that the Radio Spot Committee is continuing and going well. New spots are being recording with appropriate time of year to run.

Next meeting is December 12th, 9:30 a.m. at the Wasco County Extension.