

Dunn County Master Gardener Meeting Minutes September 18, 2018 6:30 P.M.

Location: Dunn County Community Services Building, Room 101, 3001 US Highway 12 East, Menomonie, WI 54751

Speaker for tonight—Jan Szalai gave a presentation about 26 common native plants and how to use these plants for medicinal purposes or if edible. He also briefly discussed his survival presentation.

Present: Sally Schendel, Charlet Keenlyne, Rae Hayden, Martha Wallen, Luisa Fumagalli, Howard Lee, Katie Wantoch, Betty Verdon, RaeNell Parker, Kathy Baumgardner, Sally Johnson, Diane Klemme and Laura Cragin.

DCMGA Meeting Agenda

1. Called to order by President Sally Schendel at 7:20 p.m., after presentation
2. No additions to the agenda
3. Approval of 8/21/2018 minutes by motion from Howard Lee and seconded by Sally Johnson
4. Treasurer's report—Nancy Schofield, treasurer, was not present. Sally Schendel, president, spoke on her behalf. The balance was noted. \$200.00 was recently spent on tables purchased for DC Community Service Building.
5. Dunn County Extension report by Katie Wantoch:
 - a. Entering the building for our meetings—new policy for the Dunn County Community Service Building is to have staff from extension (such as Katie) present to open the building for our meetings—the doors will now be closed to the public at 5:30 p.m. Brief discussion followed—but tabled until next meeting.
 - b. There are plans to move the rest of the Government Center to the Community Service Building in the near future.
 - c. Volunteer hour reporting will change in 2019. The hours will be submitted on line beginning 10/2018 through Wisconsin Master Gardener website. Proposed will be specific programs that are common volunteer opportunities—i.e., Veteran's garden—so as to categorize reporting.
6. Committee Reports:
 - a. Local WIMGA Rep Report—Diane Klemme stated the regional MG conference is this coming weekend and registration has closed—all spaces filled.
 - b. Project Committee—not discussed—next meeting, Tuesday, October 16, 2018 discussion on invasive species
 - c. Luisa Fumagalli—the Veteran's garden, done with planting—a third planting was recently completed with donations from Rush Creek Nursery. Clean-up will be planned after cold weather.

- d. Education Committee—Howard Lee gave a presentation to 3M employees regarding composting and RaeNell Parker is planning an upcoming presentation about general garden plants.
 - e. Finance Committee-Kathy Baumgardner did not have any agenda items.
7. Old Business—Six tables were purchased for the DC Community Service Bldg. A plaque was made to label each table—displaying the DCMG logo. A publicity photo of DCMG volunteers was taken during the meeting for the local newspaper.
- 8> New Business—Election of officers—Vice President: Betty Verdon and Secretary: Laura Cragin were unanimously voted in for these positions by DCMG's.

Payment of \$15.00 annual dues was collected tonight by Sally Schendel.

Volunteer hours are due in October. Many handed in their hours to Katie tonight. If not handed in tonight, please drop off at her office.

Adjourned meeting at 8:10.

Next meeting: October 16, 2018 at Dunn County Community Service Building—room 101 at 6:30. Speaker will be Chris Gaetzke to discuss invasive plant species common in Dunn County and best management practices.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Laura Cragin, secretary DCMG