Executive Committee Meeting: 8:30 a.m.  
General Meeting: 9:00 a.m.  
Hostesses: Danna Hammons, Anne Bethell, Kris Veculek  
Program: “Starting A New Bed”

On February 12th the Master Gardener’s meeting will get to hear Eloise Smith-Miller talk on the basic instructions of starting a greenhouse. She is the owner of The Garden House located on West Oxford. Her love of growing plants started as a hobby in 1980 with two greenhouses. In 1984 they purchased the property on Oxford and built three greenhouses. Later the sales structure and potting house were built and have grown to nine greenhouses with a property on highway 81 for the growing of trees.

Come and join us for some information that may help all of us who start their own seeds and learn some new techniques.

Sandy Williams

Minutes of the Master Gardeners Meeting  
January 8, 2019

President Kathryn Redding called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the New Year.

Kathryn asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes of the November meeting. There being none, the minutes were approved as written. She asked for any corrections to the membership yearbook. There were none. She also asked that members add her phone number to their phone contacts list.

Treasurer’s Report: Diane Ford gave the treasurer’s report. Deposits were made in these amounts: $90 in membership dues, $6 in glove sales, and $60 in donations for a total of $156.00 in deposits. There were no expenditures. The balances in accounts were $17,978.03 in general checking account, $1,050.93 in the Children’s Garden account, and $4,523.15 in the savings account for a grand total of $25,552.11 in all accounts. She acknowledged a $50 donation from Herman Dittrich. A bill for $117.42 was turned in for the greenhouse, it had been previously approved.

Committee Reports:  
Demonstration Garden: Mike Gwinnup reported that the Greenhouse construction is complete. The heater still needs hooked up and a water line connected inside. Three benches still need to be built. He reported moving the pea gravel from front paths and replacing it with decomposed granite. It will probably need another load of granite. The storage shed approved in November has not been purchased yet but will be when the greenhouse is totally done. Mike shared that he put up a few Christmas lights on the Gazebo for Christmas and suggested that the group consider additional lighting for next Christmas.

Office: Cecil Leaming reported there are 3 days needed to cover in January and that he had an extension cord that belonged to someone.

Newspaper: Delores Castor asked for a
co-chair to help with the digital issues of sending articles in to the newspaper. Janet Lohmeyer offered to help.

**Radio:** Sandy Williams asked for a co-chair and Carolyn Young volunteered.

**Scholarship:** No report

**Hospitality:** Janet Lohmeyer reported no issues.

**Spring Workshop:** Jenny Gwinnup and Carolyn Young are working on the Spring Workshop to be held April 6th from 8:00 to noon at Autry Tech. Janet Lohmeyer requested donations of old jeans for a project she is making to sell at the workshop.

**Garden Tour:** Due to health issues, Jenny Gwinnup and Kathy Mintz are replacing Paula Nightengale as co-chairs of the garden tour.

**Children's Garden:** No report

**Rick Nelson:** Rick reported that February 1st is the deadline to report volunteer and education hours. Members are required to have 20 hours in each area. He explained how hours are used by OSU and David Hillcock and that they are used in multiple ways for reports and grants. It also strengthens our county extension program. Jenny has a list of the years activities in the office.

**New Business:** Judy Huroman wanted the group to be aware that August first is the deadline for a letter of intent if we were interested in writing another grant proposal for a Cherokee Strip grant. She also suggested the group consider creating a mentorship program for the next class of students. She volunteered to organize a committee in advance of our next class.

Dana Hammons suggested members consider suggesting topics for programs as well as more sharing of the expertise our members have with one another.

It was suggested that we wear our name tags at meetings. An announcement was made that as spring approaches there will be a need for help and that an orientation would be held for the greenhouse.

There being no further business, door prizes were given to Delores Castor, Kathy Mintz, and Judy Huroman. Kathryn adjourned the meeting and thanked Janet Lohmeyer, Janet Coontz and Pam Lyon for the refreshments.

Respectfully submitted by Janet Coontz,
Secretary

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