

# ***Master Gardener Foundation Kitsap County***

## ***Board Meeting Minutes***

June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006

### **I. Call to order**

**Jane Bedinger** called to order the regular meeting of the **Master Gardener Foundation of Kitsap County (MGFKC)** at **1:00 pm** on **Wednesday, June 7, 2006** in **the Eagles Nest, Kitsap County Fairgrounds, Bremerton WA.**

Attendees: Jane Bedinger, TR Strong, Peg Tillery, Wayne Tysver, Sandy Livermore

Regrets: Colette Wilson, Marialis Jurges

### **II. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Sandy Livermore (acting on behalf of Colette Wilson who was absent) queried for any corrections or amendments to the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved distributed.

Motion to Approve by **TR Strong**

Motion Seconded by **Sandy Livermore**

Vote: Unanimous

### **III. Reports and Announcements**

#### **Treasurer's Report** - Sandy Livermore

Sandy indicated that she hasn't been getting treasurers reports out a week in advance of the meeting because she has checks coming and going after that date. She questioned when would be a reasonable time for a cut off and preparing her reports. Gary Gratrix suggest the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month . Comments from other suggested that was good timing so future treasurers' reports will be out the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each month.

#### **Horticulture Coordinator** - Peg Tillery

Ten Foundation members attended a leadership workshop at Thelar in Mason County. This was a joint workshop with Mason and Kitsap County MGs.

The next Long Range Planning meeting is scheduled for June 14th. The committee is making good progress and will report to the Board periodically. This is a program committee with board members participating.

Peg has a summer intern who will begin work at Extension on July 6. Her name is Caroline Irwin and she will be at work on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

The Master Gardener Conference is September 7-8 at South Seattle Community College. Workshop packets were mailed out to those without email and the URL was sent out to all MGs with emails.

MGs also received information about the Oregon State MG Conference which is in Oregon in July.

All the gardens are healthy and thriving as are the volunteers there.

The Native Plant Advisors are doing lots of community education and outreach. Mary Neyhart is working with Peg to make design changes to the program materials for the year 2007. We will have classes in 2007 (probably March through May).

The Master Composters class dates are July 17, 18 and 24. A notice will go out to the MGs.

The Weed Advisor Course is winding up and there will be a workshop available to everyone in July. Stay tuned for more details.

Bainbridge in Bloom is July 14-16. Linda Johnston is coordinating the volunteers. Weed Advisors will also be participating.

Volunteers are needed for the Kitsap Fair (August 23-27) both in the Extension Building (the Cat Barn) at in President's Hall. Contact Peg Tillery to volunteer for the Extension Building and Virgie Jones to volunteer in President's Hall (open class horticulture). Donna also needs help on Monday - check in day for open class hort.

The summer issue of West Sound Home and Garden magazine is out. There is an article on Hypertufa. Also an ad about the MGFKC and how to become a member. Plus info on the MG Program and all the gardens.

Employment opportunities and events. The SEA Grant position interviews are July 7. The Family Programming Coordinator interviews are July 6.

The public is invited to sit in and have input to the Family Programming Coordinator position. The Extension position is a tenured faculty position.

The 4H Coordinator Position is vacant (Cathy Moen resigned to do more grand mothering and to only work part time) - that job will be advertised after the fair.

Becky Croston, Mary-Cathern Edwards and Kim Lucks were featured in an article in the Kitsap Sun on their native plant educational outreach at Manchester State Park in South Kitsap.

**State Foundation Representative** – TR Strong  
Mid Pacific Cluster meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Communications Committee** – No Report

**Program Committee** – No Report

Plant Sale Update

Hypertufa pots, ½ in ASG

Van Zee building reserved for next year

Huckleberry bushes from Conservation District arrive tomorrow

Plants left over are stored at ASG, not much left over

Some native plants are left

WM Gaylord interested in these plants for Retsil

Gary Gratrix indicated that he would rather see them go to the gardens than be kept for next year.

**Ways and Means Committee** – No Report

**Finance Committee** – No Report

**Audit Committee** – No Report

**IV. Unfinished Business**

Nomination Committee – Jane Bedinger

Jane is still working on getting a chairperson for the nominating committee. The committee currently consists of Sharon Howard, DeLona Kent and Joyia Rubenstein.

**V. New Business**

a) **Plant Sale 2007**

A motion was made to have the plant sale take place at the Fairgrounds, Van Zee Building on Mother's Day weekend (set-up Thursday, sale Friday and Saturday) in 2007

**Motion: TR Strong**

**Second: Wayne Tysver**

**Vote: Passed**

**Discussion:** The Fuchsia Society has asked if they can have their plant sale the same day as ours. Gary Gratrix commented that it was their prerogative. We are selling common fuchsia in baskets at our sales and they sell special varieties. It may be possible to share some advertising.

Bellingham has a good sale. We didn't have enough annual veggies.

We may have a greenhouse, Sheridan – across from church, frame, water 2 weeks, plant seedlings

long foxtail

Gary Gratrix, Allen Miller and Peg Tillery will look at the greenhouse on

July 13<sup>th</sup>.

b) **2006 Summer Picnic**

The picnic is planned for July 5<sup>th</sup> at the Picnic Pavilion in Brownsville. It was suggested that the Foundation supplement up to \$200 for the cost of planning and executing the first ever MGFKC Picnic. Jane questioned whether it would be used to perhaps buy meat to bbq. It was decided after discussion that the funds would be used to buy picnic supplies. **Wayne Tysver made a motion** that the Foundation commits \$200 to cover the expense of picnic supplies. **Seconded by TR Strong.**

**Vote: Passed**

c) **Non-Electronic Communication** – Donna Hamilton raised the issue of non-electronic communication. In particular she mentioned that Dorothy Crouch is not getting any information regarding field trips, tours etc. She doesn't have email. (Side note by Secretary during transcription of notes – Dorothy Crouch didn't return a membership renewal for 2006 and therefore was not included in the 2006 mailing list.)

There was additional discussion about getting the dates of upcoming field trips out to people well ahead of time.

Peg Tillery suggested that she will figure out a way to find someone to take care of getting emails out to the members.

Joyia would be who has to get the information regarding upcoming field trips into the newsletter.

Ray and Sharron Etheredge are not getting emails from Jane. They will follow-up to make sure their email address is correct.

d) **Job Descriptions for Current Board Positions** – TR request that each current Board member provide a job description outlining the current duties of their position.

By-laws

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**VI. Adjournment**

**Jane Bedinger** adjourned the meeting at **2:06 pm**.

Minutes submitted by: Sandy Livermore, transcribed by Colette Wilson