

The Whatcom County Master Gardener Foundation

Board Minutes September 28, 2017

Attended by: Harriet Arkley – President, Kay Fast - 2nd VP, Kathy Barrett – Secretary, Marilyn Glenn – Treasurer, Barbara King – Member at Large, Pam Newland - MG

Unable to attend: Kathleen Bander and Barbara Schickler – 2nd VPs, Mill Shires – Member at Large, Sandy Keathley - State Representative, Beth Chisholm – MG Coordinator

Meeting was called to order by Harriet Arkley at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the September 7th, 2017 board meeting were unanimously approved following a motion from Barbara King and seconded by Marilyn Glenn.

Treasure's Report

Marilyn submitted the **Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual** report.

The following account totals were reported for the 27th of September:

Checking:	\$2954.32
Savings:	\$58432.44
Greenhouse:	\$16429.54

Marilyn also reported that the Foundation pays a \$300.00 broker fee to our insurance company. She questioned this with the company and they (Rice Insurance) are considering the matter.

Action Item: Marliyn will look into our insurance coverage through WSU to help determine what we may need additionally.

OLD BUSINESS

November 9th Event

Barbara King reported that the planning for the Nov 9th event is moving according to schedule.

MG Meetings/Event Schedule

As Barbara Schickler and Kathleen Bander were not in attendance there was no information to report.

Slate of Officers for 2018

Harriet announced the slate for 2018 and reported that the position for 1st VP was still vacant. Voting will take place at the October 12th Graduation and Recognition Awards Evening and nominations will be accepted from the floor.

New Business

Children's Story Garden in 2017/2018

Pam reported that there were 16 registered participants in the CSG this year and maintenance and expenses were under budget at \$769.77. For 2018, Pam would like to continue to maintain the raised beds in the CSG and make the garden more interactive for families visiting on their own. She also proposed that there be no classes for the 2018 season thus giving her time to develop a new plan for 2019. The board was very appreciative of all her efforts and encouraged her to move ahead with her plan.

Recognition Awards for 2017

The board voted for the recipients of the recognition awards for 2017.

The John Van Miert Master Gardener of the Year Award will go to Sue Taylor

The Broken Shovel Award will go to Peg Nathan.

These awards will be presented at the October 12th MG Graduation.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00

Next meeting: Thursday, November 2nd, 2017