

IN VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE:

Susanne Beukema	Donn Callaham	Pat Fritz
Amy Curtis	Linda Mason	Sue Nesbitt
Heather Stoven	Marlena Bertram	Gin Galt
Gene Nesbitt	Linda Coakley	Keli Moser
Gail Stoltz	Polly Blum	Susan Burdell

**Susanne Beukema called the meeting to order at 9:02 am. This meeting was teleconferenced because of the continuing requirements regarding the coronavirus.**

**S** **ECRETARY'S MINUTES FOR OCTOBER:** Polly motioned acceptance; Amy seconded.

**T** **REASURER REPORT:** Treasurer has sent out all reports. Amy was searching for something interesting to say at the board meeting, but was not successful. Wisely, she was silent.

**H** **EATHER REPORT:** No more updates on OSU behavior restrictions for Master Gardeners. The 2022 class is now full, with 20 students.

**O** **MGA REPS:** OMGA still is in need of a president, vice-president, and a treasurer. There will be a December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting; Mini-College will be July 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, *IN PERSON*. Goals for Mini-College were discussed, with the following possibilities:

1. A class for new county reps.
2. A sharing session in which chapters discuss problems and share resources.
3. A mentor to help each new local representative.

The Memorandum of Understanding between OSU and OMGA will be discussed, updated, and signed.

**E** **DUCTION/OUTREACH** committee will meet in the first week in January to assess and understand other programs in YCMGA, and to plan.

**S** **PRING INTO GARDENING:** Gene reminded us that he is *not* in charge of the event. There was a slight discussion of the name. When a member questioned the rationale for a name change, people debated whether or not there should be one. A number of members felt that the original name should be kept, as it is descriptive and people are familiar with it. Perhaps "workshop" could be added to the name to clarify the change in the format.

**G** **arden-to-Table:** No hands-on lessons are yet planned, though the option is always there. Proposals are:

- 1) Have classes in different towns.
- 2) Have Spanish classes in April.

The Siletz Tribe grant will pay for the production of 2 classes. Gene is optimistic.

**C** **OMMUNITY GARDEN:** Since October 31st (the end of the fiscal year) the garden has produced 253 pounds of produce for YCAP, mostly cucurbits. A meeting (zoom?) is planned for January 11<sup>th</sup>.

**P** **ERENNIAL PROPAGATION:** There is a crisis in the making—there are 2 holes in the greenhouse plastic cover. A vast number of proposals have been discussed to repair the holes, and most of them dismissed. A number of attendees firmly believe that instead of patching holes, the entire sheet of plastic should be replaced. The justifications are that:

- 1) The cover is at least 10 years old.
- 2) Covers have a lifespan of 5-8 years.
- 3) It is likely that if repaired, the plastic sheeting would rip in more places, because of its age and fragility.
- 4) Heather's husband has stated that we could hire a small crew (2-3 people) from Bailey Nurseries, on a weekend, for 2 to 3 hours to install a new sheet of plastic. We would buy the plastic. Total cost \$200-\$300.
- 5) Bailey employees would know what they are doing, whereas we clearly do not.
- 6) Bailey employees are young and flexible; we are decidedly not.
- 7) From a safety standpoint, having YMGA members tackle the job would present

a high possibility of injury and/or death.  
Tom, Jeff, Donn, Linda, and Sue have been debating the repair for several weeks, waiting for the usual clear sunny weather in December in order to do the repair. Sue has already procured special tape; she can return it if the "plastic replacement-not-repair" people are victorious.

**A** **NUAL PROPAGATION:** Linda has a list of seeds to be planted (for the plant sale and Garden-to-Table).

**P** **LANT SALE:** Gin is keeping up on inventory. There will be a meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup> to have the official transfer of the tag printer (which prints push-in tags for pots) from Rita to someone else, and at the same time 3 people will be trained how to use it. Two rolls of tag tape (six thousand tags) have been ordered.

**E** **DUCTION GARDEN:** All of the solid wood fencing has been demolished, removed, and pulverized. (Easy to do—the posts just fell over on their own). The fence will not be replaced as there really is no need for it. Next up will be painting the short length of fence alongside the greenhouse, the overhang of the picnic area cover, and the air conditioner enclosure at the Extension Office.

**S** **ocial Committees:** The tour of Red Pig Tools (by Kim) has yet to be formalized.

**B** **OARD MEMBERS FOR 2022 ARE:**

- President: Sue Nesbitt
- President-elect: Susan Burdell
- Secretary: Donn Callaham
- Treasurer: Amy Curtis
- OMGA Representative: Nancy Woodworth
- Alternate OMGA Representative: Gail Stoltz
- Members-at-large: Kim Martin and Marlena Bertram

**A** **UDIT GROUP:** Unfortunately Amy could not be present at the end of the meeting, so planning for the annual audit was put on hold. Gin has reserved the auditorium for the meeting, however. We also need 2 people to volunteer to do the audit along with Susanne and Amy. This year it will be *IN PERSON*.

**THE OSU RULES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR MASTER GARDENER BEHAVIOR DURING THE CURRENT HEALTH CRISIS HAVE BEEN CHANGING ON A DAILY BASIS, SO EVERYONE IS SUPPOSED TO CHECK ON OSU RULES REGULARLY.**

*At 10:06 am Polly motioned to end the meeting, Gin seconded, and everyone departed.*

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