

OSU Master Gardner Volunteers Athens County

DATE: 5/22/2023- Minutes

= Items to think about for next meeting

Meeting Details:

Location: Ann Brown's beautiful house

Meeting time: 5:30 for garden tour, followed by snacks/appetizers, then followed by the regular monthly meeting

Members Present (list may not be complete):

Michael Lincoln, Lynn Lovdal, Elizabeth, Joke Harnish, Nancy Walker, Debi Daniels, Molly Gassoway, Kira Burns, Kathy Berry, Terrie Perez, Dorie Gilbride, Pattie O'Brien, Laura Caple, Mary S., Marcia Burchby, Cinda Morosko, Ann Brown, Ceil Weldon, Zella Nisley, Beck LaSor, Lee Gregg, Ed Brown, Nan Needs, Kathy McCorkle, Karen Durniat-Suehrstedt, & Susie Schroer

Business meeting:

Karen called meeting to order at 7:00pm and thanked Ann for the wonderful garden tours and snacks/appetizers that was fit for royalty. Also thanked everyone for their help with the plant sale.

Old Business:

- Approval of meeting notes:
 - Debi Daniels motioned to approve minutes, Zella 2nd motion
 - Unanimously approved

Treasure's Report: Nan Needs – Current balance of \$7198.87

- Plant Sale income:
 - \$2527.50 cash sales
 - \$832 C.C. sales
 - Total sales: \$3359.50
- Plant Sale expenses:
 - \$468.38
- TOTAL PLANT SALE Profits: \$2891.87
- Ed will send out a post-event survey to fill out; keep an eye out for that email
- Zella – Reports that there was a nice flow with everything this year: parking, overflow visitors from the Farmer's Market, good flow of attendees throughout the event
- Kira – Thank you for the donations of approximately 50 plants to the Amesville sale

Committee Reports:

- **Children's Garden:** Terrie – Have started plantings in the garden. Thanked Debi Daniels for the new archway for plants to grow up on and around. Always need help in the garden, especially for weeding and watering so contact Terrie to volunteer.

Michael and Debi have been working on repairing and securing the bottom of the fence to keep out nuances such as rabbits.

The grass is about 2/3 covered and Molly G.'s husband has donated mulch (thank you!)

Michael reported that using vinegar helped to kill weeds between the bricks.

- **Program Committee:** Laura –Community Center now wants 2 hours of programming on Mondays and Wednesdays instead of 4 one-hour blocks. Look at Google sign up for volunteers for small group help. The lesson plan/syllabus is made but facilitation help is needed.
- **Newsletter:** Molly – Can still send Questions to “Ask Flora”
Lee and Joke are working on an article about ferns
Send topics that you've written and/or questions you have about plants and gardening, or a story about a plant you'd like to highlight in the Newsletter.
- **Plant Sale:** Had a terrific 2023 sale!
- **Farmer's Market:** Billie is looking for volunteers to station the booth on Saturdays throughout the Summer; contact her and/or add your name to the Google volunteer sheet to sign up

New/Other Business:

- **Heritage Garden Tour at Governor's Mansion** – Ann Brown: the tour is June 21 at 10:30 and lasts approximately 1 hour. Will need to be registered by June 5 so let Ann know and bring your ID one the day of the tour. You can bring friends as long as they signed-up/registered/are on the list that is given to the Governor's mansion prior to attending. The cost is FREE, but donations are encouraged and the money goes back to the garden. Try to carpool and, if wanting to look at more things in Columbus, ask Ann for details.
- **Athens County Humane Society Garden Tour:** Ann – the tour is June 4th and the cost is \$15, see Ann to purchase tickets or you can buy tickets at the visitor center.
- **Next Meeting:** June 26th at Gary Connelly's house in Glouster. Parking will be limited so park at HAPCAP and walk up and/or Karen can shuttle people to/from the parking lot.

Meeting adjourned: Michael motioned to end the meeting and Lynn Loyal 2nd the motion;
meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by: Susie Schroer