

Greene Co. Master Gardeners  
Zoom business meeting  
February 9, 2021 @ 1:00 pm

President Dan welcomed all to the meeting at 1:02 pm. This meeting is being recorded. There were 25 participants online for this meeting.

Jane Worth made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 11<sup>th</sup>, business meeting with a second by Pam Carter. Motion passed.

The January financial report by Skip. Monthly Report through January 31, 2021

Received 1-31 Jan	\$ 1,740.00
Expenditures 1-31 Jan (non-rstr)	\$ 0.00

Checking account Balance Jan 31 - \$10,443.24

Restricted Funds Dec 31, 2020	<u>(\$1,328.00)</u>
Restricted Funds Spent in Jan	\$ 0.00
Checking Account Cash 01/31/21	\$ 9,115.24

Unspent Obligated 2021 Budget Fund (\$9,850)

01/31/21 Available Cash	
Checking Acct.	\$9,115
Savings	\$2,060
CDs	<u>\$5,250</u>
Total	\$16,425

Forecast Net Cash 12/31/21 \$ 14,685

66 MGV members have paid their dues with one "in the mail"=67 MGVs. Skip reports that he needs an auditor so if you know of someone, please contact him with the name.

### **Old Business**

2021 board of trustees

- President-Dan Denham
- Vice President – Jane Worth
- Past-President – Garry Abfalter
- Secretary – Carol Lea Brown
- Treasurer – Skip Mahan
- Members at Large:
  - Debbie Downes
  - James Hoffer
  - Sarah Preston
  - Arlon Zabel

Operations manual-has been approved by the board and was sent out via VMS to all on 1/5/2021. It is also available on VMS. There was a problem with the date but this is now fixed. See any board member if you have questions.

Bylaws-these are the proposed bylaw changes

1. **Article III (Members), Section 1e, Paragraphs IV, V and VI. Paragraphs should be deleted.** Procedures for return to active status moved to Operations Manual.
2. **Article V (Board of Trustees), Section 2, Appointment of Board of Trustees: Term of Office. ADD a new third sentence:** Allows former Board members to serve on Board after one term off Board
3. **Article V (Board of Trustees), Section 2, Appointment of Board of Trustees: Term of Office.** Past-President changed to 1 year term and made advisory without a vote.
4. **Article VIII (Officers), Section 2, Election of Officers. DELETE all but the first sentence.** Matches up with #2 and eliminates duplication.

Dan will send these out soon and the membership will vote on them in March.

2021 GCMGV goals

1. Develop a vibrant grant program
2. Improve revenue streams
3. Increase educational aspects of projects
4. Improve project and committee support
5. Increase community involvement
6. Improve GCMGV satisfaction
7. Assist 2022 intern class recruitment

These are board established and are intentionally non-specific.

2021 objectives development-Jane Worth will be communicating with the board this month regarding more specific objectives and the board will vote at the March board meeting. This information will be passed on to the membership at the March business meeting.

2021 board nominating committee-Garry Abfalter will form a committee with other board members and begin gathering nominees for

- President
- Secretary
- Member at large-need two

## New Business

January 5<sup>th</sup> – Winter Gathering

Feb - May – Virtual

Jun - Aug – Face-to-face – outdoors?

Aug or Sep – Fall Picnic – Leaning toward Aug

Oct – Annual Meeting

Nov – Last 2021 Regular Meeting

Dec – Board meeting only

Plant sale-Tentative date-May 8 with set up on May 7. See Pam Carter for more information. Pam would like to borrow picnic table clothes so if you have any, please see Pam. Also, let Pam know if you will be growing herbs. We will be following the current COVID protocols.

The Grants Steering Group would consist of the current MGV president, the current treasurer and the coordinator.

1. Provide committee with possible candidates
2. Review committee recommendations
3. Approve grant applications and submit

Kim would submit to the appropriate agency after the paperwork is written within the committee. Financial input for budget purposes.

Continuing Education-virtual programs

### Greene County Programs

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|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| - Conifers for Today's Gardens | 6:30-7:30 PM | Thurs, Feb 18 |
| - Mushrooms and Other Fungi    | 6:30-7:30 PM | Thurs, Feb 25 |
| - Foodscaping                  | 6:30-7:30 PM | Thurs, Mar 4  |
| - The Drunken Botanist         | 6:30-7:30 PM | Thurs, Mar 11 |

### Happy Hour & Lunch and Learn

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| - Common Rose Pests           | 4:00-5:00 PM  | Wed, Feb 10   |
| - Keeping Tick Safe           | 12:00-1:00 PM | Thurs, Feb 11 |
| - You Can Grow Lavender       | 4:00-5:00 PM  | Wed, Feb 24   |
| - Foliar Diseases Land/Orn    | 12:00-1:00 PM | Thurs, Mar 4  |
| - Annuals Field Trial Results | 4:00-5:00 PM  | Wed, Mar 10   |
| - Glyphosate: Facts, Hype     | 12:00-1:00 PM | Thurs, Mar 18 |
| - Monarch Conservation        | 4:00-5:00 PM  | Wed, Mar 24   |

## Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden's (CZBG) "Zoo's Best" Plant Trials

(Perennials)	2:00-3:00 PM	Thurs, Feb 11
(Annuals)	2:00-3:00 PM	Thurs, Feb 18
(Tree/Shrub)	2:00-3:00 PM	Thurs, Feb 25
(Pollinators)	2:00-3:00 PM	Thurs, Mar 4
(Natives)	2:00-3:00 PM	Thurs, Mar 11

Trevor will be presenting Mushrooms and other Fungi on Feb. 25.

For the Lunch and Learn webinars, we may register at <https://mastergardener.osu.edu/>. We may also go to <https://greene.osu.edu/>.

Phenology report-currently we are a 0, but of note, we were at 18 this time last year.

### **Historian**

The board is recruiting for a historian to maintain our organizational history. Someone who would be out participating in our projects and writing up stories of interest or "color commentary". This is not a Board position. This appointed MG may attend any meetings or activities except personnel meetings. March 1 would be the target date for them to release our annual history. Let Dan know if you are interested.

### **Other**

The activities and the program committees will be sharing 2021 plans with the membership at the March business meeting. Also, beginning at the March business meeting, board members will be participating by presenting information.

### **Coordinators report**

#### COVID & projects

- Exemptions
- Reviewing
- Discuss updates with project leaders

#### Project Leader meeting

- Exemption updates
- Guidelines
- Education

#### Recertification

- ARRT form-send back via email by scanning and uploading or snail mail

#### Hand on Connect (HOC)

- And we are waiting...
- Continue to enter hours until further notice

### Upcoming programs

- The upcoming Conifer program among others will be open to the public
- Greene Co. programs given by Kim or Trevor are not open to the public

### 2022 Training class

- Recruitment-Flyer is ready to handout
- Hybrid-Zoom online + face to face program

## **Open Discussion**

At the beginning of the March meeting, Jeanette and Debby will give a succulent presentation.

Dan presented information regarding Asian jumping worms. We can help stop the spread by cleaning out undergrowth.

The next meeting will be March 9th via Zoom at 1:00 pm. Kim will be presenting "Woodys" continuing education tonight via Zoom at 6:30 pm.

Debbie Downes made a motion to adjourn with a second by Arlon Zabel. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Lea Brown

Greene Co. MGV secretary