

Master Gardener Association of New Jersey September 27, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Caryl Hannemann at 10:05 A.M.

Caryl sent a sign-up sheet around for the November luncheon. Arnold the Auctioneer will emcee the items to be auctioned.

During the December meeting Nick Polanin will discuss members' concerns about the Rutgers Account functions. Toni Rinehart suggested a sub committee to meet with Nick. Toni offered to serve as chair. Mercer, Somerset/Hunterdon, Union will be on the committee. The committee will circulate issues before meeting. November meeting will get together for questions to send to Nick for December meeting.

Treasurer's report: \$5,970.00. The Master Gardener State Board change box has \$735.46. There was no report from Rutgers.

Attendance:

Bergen: Karen Parnell, Jane Furman

Burlington: absent

Camden: Nancy Sullivan

Cumberland: Carol Henry

Essex: Joan Gorman, Pat Radey, Pat Hewitt

Gloucester: Maureen Fitzgerald

Mercer: Bob Robinson

Middlesex: Kathy Dopart, Phyllis Pappas, Jerri Barclay, Nancy Bruneau, Debbie Henry

Monmouth: Ellen Simonetti, Sandy Wolfe, Karin Poorvin, Sheila Eppinger

Morris: Pat Hudson

Ocean: absent

Passaic: absent

Somerset/Hunterdon: Mary Patten, Tricia Deering

Sussex: absent

Union: Toni Rinehart, Caryl Hannemann

Conference Report:

Program development: intro of speakers and escorts set.

Program flyer was completed by Somerset/Hunterdon.

Burlington was in charge of the donated baskets.

Tickets for folders were taken care of.

Tables for Garden Market were set at 7.

Facilities for final check was to be done after meeting. Tables and chairs were to be set up like last year's setup primarily because of time and staff shortage.

Number of guests to be ascertained.

Registration: Monmouth will accept meet speakers by registration table and bring them to escorts.

Union: will collect money from walk-ins

Caryl and Nick Polanin will escort Dean Goodman

Nick will handle speakers' fees through Rutgers Account as they are in the "Rutgers system".

Gloucester will donate five speaker goody bags and these will contain thank you notes. Escorts will have cell numbers of speakers and will be notified when speakers arrive.

Nominating Committee was set up for upcoming elections of new officers for 2012.

Mary Patten, Trisha Deering and Nancy Sullivan will seek candidates for the following positions:

President

Vice President

Recording Secretary

Treasurer

Historian

Corresponding Secretary will be Pat Hudson.

Morris County will be November hospitality and Ocean County has December hospitality.

Joan Gorman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:42 and Pat Hudson seconded it.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Kathy Dopart