

# **Master Gardener Foundation of Yakima County Meeting**

## **Yakima County Master Gardener Program Meeting**

via Zoom

### **Minutes March 13,2024 10:30 AM**

#### **Foundation Meeting Call to Order 1030**

#### **Call for Additional Agenda Items 20 attendees**

Opening Remarks	Dan Fortier, President
Approval of Minutes from February 2024	Dan Fortier, President
Treasurer Report (reports sent via email)	Gilbert Plascencia, Treasurer
Motion to approve Julie Hunziker 2 <sup>nd</sup> Gini Obert. Motion approved.	
Greenhouse	Camille Smith

#### **New Business:**

#### **Old Business:**

Strategic Plan Dan Fortier/Rick Russell  
Marvelous experience > 12 hrs. 5 Initiatives, now posted under SP on website. Pick a committee to serve on for each initiative. JJ Thank you to Dan & Rick  
RR: Who was presenter at each initiative to be the Team Leader for each of 5 initiatives. JJ Principles > lets follow them  
Nomination Committee report of 2023-2024 Officers Debra Kroon  
Every position up for filling. 2 year term limit. Thanks the present team of Officers. 6 weeks to go  
New Slate :  
Dan Fortier President  
Rick Russell VP  
Amber Knox Treasurer  
Annette Olson Secy  
Members at Large Sheila Gunderson, Beatrice Reiss  
Any other members can put their hat in the Ring  
Past President: Debra Kroon

#### **Conclude Foundation Meeting 10:51**

#### **Master Gardener Program Meeting**

Program Coordinator

Training Class today via Zoom

Year End 2023 Clinic had 140 events 1600 + attendees

Total Volunteer hours 12K+

Jennifer looking for Endowed Chair funding across State. For State MGF

Looking for Ambassadors

#### **Team Updates & Reports**

Debra Kroon covering

Give Pulse

Julie Hunziker

Keep up with your GP, Michelle helping with verification. Many challenges due to inconsistencies. Try to enter promptly. Enter Instructor for Zoom classes.

Interns need reinforcement and weekly

Social Media Presence/Face Book

Andrea Altmayer/Clinic Team

2,946 people engaged 28 new followers

Photo Library

Andrea Altmayer/Janet Roberts

On the website. Send more pictures, especially out in the communities. Reminder to take pictures during classes. Send your 4 best vs. 15, Stack of Parent release forms > carry with you.

Writer's Guild and Speakers Bureau

Claudia Steen

In 2023 our team wrote a total of 54 articles in the Sunday edition of the Yakima Herald newspaper. Of those Carol wrote 25, Claudia wrote 14, Phyllis wrote 7 and Diana wrote 4 with 4 articles from other contributors. Each year we have encouraged other MG's to join our team and so appreciate their contributions. This year one of our 2023 trainees, Don Fleckt, has joined our team with his amazing bee articles. In 2023 we gave only 7 presentations in which we reached 72 members of the public. These do not include the Saturday classes, where again our team members are also willing to give presentations. Again see Carol or Claudia if you are interested in joining either of our teams.

Diagnostic Clinic

Andrea Altmayer

All of intern orientations (18) completed. Struggling with GP. 1 spot each day for Veteran > help needed for each one. March 1 was opening day > very busy.

Farmer's Market

On hold for Season until Mother's Day

Youth Team

Gini Obert

Looking for Youth Program Volunteers. Per Commissioners we need to report on this. Fun Event on 03/12. Two full classes all day long, new Trimester. Amazing Teachers and administrative.

Garden Reports:

\* Demonstration  
shredder.

Angela G: March 20 rake leaves, leaf

\* Heirloom

On hold for Season

\* WVFG

Camille , quiet & cold still

\* Kamiakin Gardens

On hold for Season

\* Classes

Angela Galbraith. All scheduled 2 & 4

Saturday starting April 22. except Mother's Day. Announcement in newspaper, FB, hand them out.

- Wapato Community Garden Update

Opening Day March 16, 2024

Good of the Order Conclude Program Meeting 11:30

(Time to charge to Give Pulse for this meeting = 1 hr.

**Next Meeting: April 10, 2024 at the Red Barn at 10:30 AM**