

COOS COUNTY MASTER GARDENER™ ASSOCIATION (CCMGA)

General Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2022

OSU Extension Services

Myrtle Point, OR

ZOOM MEETING ATTENDANTS:

Susan Zohreh, Grace Horning, Ed Powers and Tina Powers

IN PERSON ATTENDANTS: Greg Reynolds, Jessica Kane, Terry Harris, Val Berg, Bob German, Kathy Creason, Charmane Mitchell, Claudia Turner, Imogene McDonald, Caren Brewster, Laurie Wartnick, Dottie Tucker and Mary Dixon.

Meeting started 10:05am with both in person and zoom members present.

ADDITIONS: Remaining Soil

INTRODUCTIONS: President Claudia introduced Terry Harris, a returning Master Gardener

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Upcoming Plant Sales: Coquille Community Garden, Saturday 9am to 4pm at the site of the previous bank building in Coquille, and another plant sale at Langlois Lions Club Fri, Sat and Sun May 20, 21, 22.

Minutes: Val Berg moved to accept minutes from April's meeting, Mary Dixon 2nd Motion, Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT Mary Ann Babb: Given by Claudia Turner

<i>Prior balance (Opening balance at New Account : First Community Credit Union)</i>	17,314.34
<i>Income (Members' Dues, Fund raisers, grants, and donations.)</i>	30.00
<i>Interest</i>	
<i>Expenses (office expenses)</i>	-170.00
<i>Ending balance April 30, 2022</i>	17,174.34

We closed out the Banner Bank Checking Account and transferred it to the new account.

We have moved our checking account to First Community Credit Union.

Current Savings CD is \$8431.44 still at Banner Bank

Dues are due for 2022 so please get those in. \$15.00, Trainees are 5.00

COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Lady Bug Landing | corner of 8th and Anderson Ave., Coos Bay (Renee Blom)

Lady Bug Landing

May Garden Report:

Not a whole lot to report at Lady Bug Landing as the rain has kept many people from being able to plant. But we should be thankful for the rain, as it will be helpful this summer. The MG's had a good plant sale and have donated many leftover plants to the garden, now we just need a break in the weather to plant. There are changes to the demo area this year, we will be planting more things that will only need to be harvested once; cabbages, cauliflowers, lettuce, onions, shallots and potatoes.

There will be a few tomatoes, flowers and some summer cover crop too, this is due to Renee's bad knee and upcoming surgery.

So someday the rains will stop and the sun will shine again and the garden will be busy with people planting. ☺ Happy Gardening

Coquille Harvest Moon Garden | 180 N. Baxter Street, Coquille

<http://www.coquillecommunitygarden.org>

May News

Val Berg: There are 26 total beds with 11 rented. Nothing is happening at this time as the garden is soaking wet.

Good Earth Community Garden | at the end of 8th Ct., Bandon

May News!

Hi Karen and Tina

May

The Good Earth Community Garden has 8 remaining plots to be rented and we're beginning to see new growth throughout the garden! We have veggies growing in the two donation plots and we are planning on providing fresh produce to the local food banks. We do love the rain; however, we are hoping for some warm, sunny days soon so the garden will begin to flourish.

Have a wonderful Memorial Day!

Best,

Susie Zohreh

Garden Manager and MG Cheerleader (;

Plant Clinic: Kathy Creason: *There are a few opening for May and many for June. The trainees are doing very well in the PC. We need certified MG's to sign up. Things are starting to pick up for the season.*

Plant Sale Committee | 2022 Tomato-Rama Tina Powers Chairperson

Fabulous event. Meeting for July will be after the general meeting for a wrap up and brainstorming session for next year. The treasurer sent a preliminary report on Tomato-Rama income after expenses about 2141.75. Roughly 1/3 of plants remained, and were worth about \$1000 in donation value, as well as about 300 lbs. equivalent of food donation, were given to North Bend School Bridge program, Lady Bug Landing Community Garden, Coquille Community Garden, Bandon Community Garden and the Coquille Indian Tribe Summer Camp program.

Scholarship Committee: *Closed this year.*

School Garden Grants: *Two grants were awarded by the committee: North Bend HS Bridge Program for a 3 Step Program of \$1540.00 and Myrtle Point High School for addition to courtyard planters of 1000.00. They originally requested 678.00, the committee added the difference due to the increase of soil prices.*

Coos Bay Farmers Market : Went well last Wednesday. Every other Wednesday with check in time 8 am. Location will change. Mike Mueller will be at most of the markets at the earlier time slot. Thank you to Mike.

Bandon Farmers Market: *Once a month First Friday of each month. Bandon Port is in charge of the Market. First Friday of each month. May 6, June 3, July 1st. August 5th, September 2nd, and October 7th. Cathy Barter reported a rainy and windy slow day . Hours have changed to 11 to 3.*

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion –

(DEI) Committee Report: Donna Leveridge-Campbell

For May 10, 2022 CCMGA meeting

Cohort 2 of the OSU Extension Master Gardener's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Task Force met for the first time on April 20, for 1½ hours on Zoom,. There were 33 of the 40 members at the meeting from all around the state, with 14 of those returning from Cohort 1. This first meeting was mostly an opportunity to begin to get to know each other and the context for the group's work this year.

Our OSU facilitators are Gail Langellotto, Professor of Horticulture and Statewide Coordinator of the Extension MG Program, and LeAnn Locher, Statewide MG Outreach Coordinator and Food Hero Gardening Coordinator. There was an inspiring welcome from Scott Vignos. He's the Interim VP, Chief Diversity Officer, Office of Institutional Diversity at OSU. He spoke of his personal gardening journey, particularly from a cultural perspective, and of the garden that he and his husband grow at their Corvallis home. Scott talked about the goal and meaning of "Access, Success, and Belonging of all OSU Community Members" (described as "anyone who touches the University"). And I was pleased to I hear him say that "The University is trying to listen to Extension, not just be sending knowledge out".

I'm excited to be our Coos County Master Gardener's representative on this DEI Task Force (sometimes referred to as JEDI, with the "J" standing for Justice). I'll be sharing some info about the group's discussion topics, activities, etc. with you,. And if any of our MG's have questions or input for the DEI Task Force, please let me know and I will take it back to them. Thank you.

Donna Leveridge-Campbell

Oregon Master Gardener Association (OMGA) meeting | Representative Report (Dottie Tucker, Tina Powers, alternate) *No report this month except OMGA is requesting a donation of 250.00 for a Silent Auction to be held at Mini College. After discussion, it was decided to purchase 2 each gift cards for 25.00 each from the following local vendors: Face Rock Creamery, Cranberry Sweets, 7 Devils Restaurant, Seacoast Compost and 101Plants & Things. Mary Dixon moved to purchase, Dottie Tucker 2nd the motion, Motion Carried. Dottie will purchase gift cards. Next meeting will be June 3rd.*

COMMENTS from Samantha Clayburn, OSU EXTENSION SERVICE:

- 1. Remaining soil to be used to fill beds in front of Office and repairs are needed. Sam will purchase a few boards for the repairs.*
- 2. Nominations are needed for MG of the Year and Behind the Scenes. Sam needs these names by May 13th. She has to report by the 15th.*

3. *Up coming volunteer opportunities at Plant Clinic, Farmers Market in Coos Bay 8:30 -11.30, 1130 to 2:30. Fair Booth: July 26-30: 10-2:30, 2:30 to 7. Coquille Indian Summer Camp, one day September 11. A possible library event in North Bend in the evening.*
4. *Volunteer reporting is the same online and will be that way for another 2 years.*
5. *Sam reported her conference on Extension was all about volunteerism.*
6. *Also, Sam gave a lesson on Morning Glory Seed Packets she will be giving out. These are not Bind Weed. They are an annual vine of the sweet potato family and have several colors. They are good pollinators.*
7. *Also, Ally Richards from North Bend High School emailed a thank you for the school garden grant award.*

Greeting from Bob German, Past President to Greg saying he was glad to see him at the meeting.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned 11:10 a.m.

EDUCATIONAL TOPIC: The next meeting June 14th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. **Respectfully** submitted by:
Kathy Creason, Pro tem