## COOS COUNTY MASTER GARDENER™ ASSOCIATION (CCMGA)

OSU Extension Services
Myrtle Point, Oregon
January 7, 2025

## **Master Gardeners**

Mary Jo Audette, Mary Ann Babb, Val Berg(O), Caren Brewster, Jennifer Brongil, Gail Cassidy, Kathy Creason, Mary Dixon, Donna Leveridge-Campbell(O), Ron Metzger, Jessie Milligan, Mike Mueller(O), Robbie Palzer, Ed Powers, Tina Powers, Lorna Schilling, Eric Sydnes, Dottie Tucker, Claudia Turner, Laurie Wartnik(O), Howard Wilson

**ADDITIONS: None** 

Meeting called to order by Lorna Schilling

**INTRODUCTIONS:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS: None** 

**MINUTES:** 

TREASURER'S REPORT: MaryJo Audette

Prior balance (Opening balance: First  Community Credit Union)	\$9184.47
Community Oreal officing	ψ3104.47
Income (Members' Dues, Fundraisers, Grants, and donations)	\$60.00
Expense	-\$200.00
Ending Balance	\$9044.47

CD balance: \$10,274.05

## **COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORTS:**

Good Earth Community Garden (Bandon): No report Harvest Moon Community Garden (Coquille): No report

Lady Bug Landing (Coos Bay): Applications for Lady Bug Landing will start to be available January 3, at the garden Anderson gate and McKay's Market. The new website is not up yet but hopefully soon, we are trying to get the PayPal link working but when it is up you can find it at https://socoastcommunitygardens.org. On another note, on the night December 25th there was a big windstorm and the fence line on the north of the garden was knocked down. We hope to start the repair work next week. Still looking forward to another good garden season.

**Harmony Garden (Lakeside) Report:** Did not get hoped for grant from the tribe. South Coast Community Gardens doesn't have grants available either. Applications for plots will be available February 1<sup>st</sup> at City Hall.

Plant Clinic: Kathy Creason: No report

Fair Report: No report.

**Plant Sale Committee 2025:** No new news. Members to continue jobs from last year. Need to think about starting seeds. Alliums and flowers should be started this month.

School Garden Grants: No report

Coos Bay Farmers Market: No report.

Bandon Farmers Market: No report.

Oregon Master Gardeners Association-Mary Dixon: New board member roster for every county.

Sam's December Coordinators Report: There is a new Position Description form to have all volunteers fill out. Forms handed out and will be mailed to those not in attendance. Another new requirement for 2025 trainees is the youth safety module. It is not mandatory for certified MGs this year but will be required in 2026. If you would like to do it this year for your growing and belonging required credit, it will be shown at the January 30<sup>th</sup> afternoon session of MG training. Didn't get grant for Fertilize Your Mind through the tribe. Available funds are way down so they had to be very selective. Will try other avenues such as Rotary. Cow Creek Tribe may have funds to apply for. Their deadline is sometime in March. Kathy Creason will reach out to Ford Family Foundation to see if they have a grant that we could apply for. FYM is shaping up. Sign-ups hopefully will start mid-February. FYM is April 5<sup>th</sup>. Master Gardener training begins January 9<sup>th</sup>. There are 13 trainees. We also have two MGs one is a former Coos County MG and the other is a transfer from Josephine County that will be returning as trainees this year.

## **ADJOURMENT:** Respectfully submitted Gail Cassidy

Next meeting is February 13<sup>th</sup> during the lunch hour of MG training. It is only an hour so we will have to stay on task and complete the meeting in an hour or less.