

Volunteer Master Gardeners of Union County

July 22, 2020

Zoom Meeting

**Attendance:** Julie Jones, Laurie Lowe, Sara Parker, Penny Rushmore, Chris Burnard, Beth Johnson, Dilu Juvarkar, Donna Gehring, Audrey Kise, Karen Long, Bryan Bumgardner, Bill Paloney, Tyler Arvin, Alesia Miller, Sue Timmons, Rebeca Honaker, Nancy Munson, Donna Maley, Virginia McCreary, Dixie Bowen, Eunice Hornsby, John Walkup, Robert Anderton, Jon Weiss, Terri Farley, Kay Covert, Betsy Hauck, Vicki Motz, Kay Nicols,

**No Presentation:** Zoom meeting Julie Jones facilitated as Julie is unable to attend tonight. Still unable to meet face to face due to COVID and restrictions per Ohio State extension office. Need to pay attention to guidelines offered by Ohio Department of Health, Governor, Union County and Ohio State to know what guidelines need to be followed. This will be communicated to best of our ability but there are changes daily. Stay tuned for updates. Until then, will meet by Zoom since we are having a great turnout.

**Business Meeting:**

- Secretaries Report was submitted by Beth Johnson – the May meeting minutes were accepted by online vote and June meeting minutes were posted one week ago. No changes accepted.
- Treasurer Report by Donna Maley reports only activity was for partial payment \$32.00 for the postal box. No other activity since last meeting.

**Coordinators Report:**

- A Blanket Exemption was received last week to work in 3 gardens. 1. COYC, 2. Ag Center, and 3. Dutch Mill. Eunice worked with project chairs and the extension office to get these approved. All must adhere to the restrictions and guidelines provided to continue to have this opportunity.
- State conference will be September 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Virtual fee for Keynote speakers and there will be zoom meetings for the breakout sessions.
- Zoom Meetings – IMPORTANT - beginning August 1, 2020 all will need to use a password to gain access to the meeting. This will be included in your email notice of the Zoom meeting.

**Project Updates:**

- Plant sale cancelled for 2020, Contract moved from 2020 to 2021. Julie has contract will sign and mail tomorrow. Dues for MGUC for active members has been waived for 2020 as the intended donations will not be used this year. If anyone want to contribute- can still pay. Unable to come up with a way to share plant donations for a plant swap as we are required to follow guidelines for no gatherings. Members can do a drop off or pick up at curbside, driveway, or porch.
- Project Grow Donna Gehring sent schedule for COYC Wednesdays 10-11 to work.
- Dutch Mill already planned Tuesdays 9-10 2 people need help with weeding.
- Ag Center garden water and weeding schedule Saturdays 9-11 Tuesday evening e-mail sign up was sent out.
- Gloves are available contact Donna Maley
- Dilu reported she must provide an update on workplace safety with the Spotted Lantern project they wanted to know what measures she took to keep safe during COVID.

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- Sara is coordinating pick up and drop off for day lilies that were ordered from the presentation done earlier this year.

Other

- Interested in seed exchange for hibiscus.
- Suggestions offered to place bags on stems to capture seeds.
- Reminder: The Diagnostic workshop has been cancelled and will possibly host it next year.
- Reminder: All donations of produce to pantries need to be weighed and pounds given to Chris Bernard for reporting.

**Old Business:** none

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Beth Johnson