

**HMGA BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
May 6, 2009**

Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Ann Dutton at 1:07 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes had previously been received by all board members and committee chair members, and were approved.

Reports from Committees/ Officers:

Treasurer: Beverly Cochrane reported \$1,770.19 in the checking account. There are 3 CD's. Seven interns have already paid their dues and joined.

Vice President:

1st Vice President:

2nd Vice President:

Corresponding Secretary:

Master Gardener Training: The committee graded the 2009 training class final 4/20/09 and returned to Teddy the same day. The committee will meet in June and assess trainee's evaluations for next year's planning.

Helpline: Ruth Wilson's reminder calls has improved participation.

Communications:

Service and Recognition: Joyce Brannon reported time sheet return has improved after Lisa's email prompt. There are 153 Master Gardeners to report.

S.M.A.R.T. Lawns: There are 31 applications. Eight teams trained and formed.

JMG: Sixty 4th graders at Lakeside Elementary. Third week of participation with 16 K-2 at Crestview after school program. Two more weeks to participate with Lewis Ginter instructors at St. Andrews. Some members are helping Lisa with Junior Master Gardeners at Armour House. Sixteen preschoolers at Ridge Elementary. Goddard School has requested help for a new garden at their school.

Special Events: We will participate in VA Garden Festival at the Science Museum in September.

Finance:

Hospitality:

Extension Report: Lisa Sanderson reported that a grant request has been written from The Community Foundation to enable extensions of "Gardens Growing Families" (currently only in the Lakeside District) into all 7 districts. The grant request is for \$83,840.00. Channel 17 has made a gardening video for local viewing using Grace Harrison and Carol Colby.

Old Business: John Sartin and Jack Kelzer reported they are working with a good team. Deadlines are met and attendance is good at meetings. A head of the Green Elephant Sale is needed and Lisa will send an email request.

New Business: The proposed budget for the Harvest Fair was presented. This motion was accepted and passed.

Books in the help room are organized by Gladys Bowles and Connie Lily.
The remainder of the meeting was spent completing the handbook updated.

In Attendance: Peggy Lowry, Joyce Brannon, Ann Dutton, Beverly Cochrane, John Sartin, Judy Burton, Mary E. Vetovec, Lisa Sanderson, Gwen Hipp, John Simmonds, Jack Kelzer, and Shelby Earehart.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Minutes were taken by Mary E. Vetovec and typed/submitted by Brenda Orton, Recording Secretary

**Slate of Officers for 2009-2010
Henrico Master Gardeners Association**

President: Ann Dutton

1st Vice President: Erica Gilliam

2nd Vice President: Grace Harrison

Treasurer: Barry Hayes

Recording Secretary: Vickie Bell

Corresponding Secretary: Theresa Hawkes

Respectfully submitted by the 2009 Nominating Committee:

**Brenda Orton
Joyce Brannon
Grace Harrison**