

NSVMGA Meeting
Sunday, January 17, 2010
Fort Valley Nursery

President Bob Carlton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Bob C. asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. There were none. A motion was made to accept the minutes and Lynn Hoffman seconded it. The motion was passed.

Bob C. read the Treasurer's Report and a motion was made and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as read:

NSVMGA TREASURER'S REPORT

January 17, 2010

FINANCIAL POSITION

Checking balance - November 15, 2009	\$ 5,224.42
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INCOME:	Membership dues (\$10 DIT)	\$ 56.00
	MG class tuition (4)	740.00

EXPENSES:	MG class expenses	\$ -129.52
	New checks expenses	-18.56

Checking balance – January 17, 2010	\$ 5,868.34
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CD balance – includes interest earned	\$ 5,043.95
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$10,912.29</u>
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OTHER NSVMGA TREASURY ITEMS

1. **DUES REMINDER** – please pay your NSVMGA annual dues by 02/28/10; \$10 per member & \$16 per couple or partners. The new treasurer's mailing address is:
Bob Powell, 1101 Whittier Ave, Winchester, VA 22601

2. **TREASURER'S ADDRESS & BANK RECORDS UPDATED** – the bank accounts (2) of NSVMGA were updated with the name and address of the newly elected President and Treasurer, as necessary, in December 2009.
3. **TREASURER'S RECORD REVIEW COMPLETE** – the new Treasurer performed a thorough review of NSVMGA's Treasury Records in December 2009 and issued a report to the Board of Directors. There was no material error, omission, or exception discovered during the review.

County Reports:

Clarke – No activity.

Frederick – Paula Brownlee reported that there are two new members in Frederick. She would like to set goal to increase active members.

Page – Lesley Mack said thank you to all those who attended Bud Gregory's memorial.

Shenandoah – Johan Guss will schedule a county MG meeting next week to come up with ideas for Shenandoah.

Warren – Marsha Burd received a thank you note from the Samuel's Public Library for buying three gardening books to add to their collection. Book plates were placed in each book. There will be a 10:30 a.m. meeting at the Daily Grind on January 27 for Warren County MGs. Blandy is asking for 15 minute presentations by MGs at the Blandy Garden Fair to be held on May 8-9.

Volunteer Coordinator - Ernie Polanskas will be contacting county coordinators about green-lines. Shenandoah County needs a volunteer to fill the county coordinator position. Johan Guss is continuing to coordinate for the county, but would like to step down. Ernie reminded all MGs that we all have an annual obligation to complete 8 education hours which are accrued by attending MG meetings and various workshops and educational opportunities. Ernie congratulated MG Intern Siobhan O'Brien on completion of her 50 hours and mentioned her participation in children's activities and the farmer's market in Clarke County.

2010 Intern Class – Carolyn Wilson has received 6 checks so far. She offered flyers to any MGs who could post them to advertise the upcoming 2010 class. All MGs are encouraged to attend the classes, especially the first class, which is February 9. MGs can accrue education hours by attending the classes. Please contact Ernie with any questions about education hours.

Old Business – Bob C. spoke about a proposal to reimburse MGs for training. He stated that the Executive Board was still working to iron out the proposal. Bob asked MGs to email him with ideas and opinions.

New Business – Bob C. said that the subject of signage to advertise NSVMGA at various activities had been brought up, and that Mary Craig would be looking into the cost of signs. Carolyn W. made a motion to purchase a redbud tree for up to \$200 to be planted in the Luray Greenway in honor of Bud Gregory. The motion was passed with no objections.

Education – Lynn talked about the upcoming NSVMGA sponsored workshops. Bugs or Blooms will be held on February 27 at LFCC. The cost for MGs is \$25. Seating is limited, so send in your registrations quickly. Wildlife Damage control will be held on Saturday, March 20 at Shenandoah University. The cost for MGs is \$25. Both workshops can be counted as education hours.

GardenFest – Martha Mitchell is continuing to organize activities for the Fest.

An MG made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 p.m. and Lynn Hoffman seconded it. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned. The meeting was followed by a lively talk on organic gardening given by Terry Fogle. Mr. Fogle was introduced by Vice President Theresa Krause. Following the talk, another MG feast was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Boag
Secretary

Suzanne	Boag	Adele	Skolits
Lance	Braun	Sally	Walters
Norma	Braun	Chuck	Walters
Paula	Brownlee	Carolyn	Wilson
Marsha	Burd		
Bob	Carlton	<u>Guests</u>	
Mary	Carlton	Tom	Brownlee
Mary	Craig	Ron	Heishman
Beth	Drumheller	Jim	Huttar
Susie	Drummond		
Georganna	Du Bois		
Josie	Engle		
Ruth	Garretson		
Malinda	Gordy		
Johan	Guss		
Anita	Harris		
Larry	Haun		
Janet	Heishman		
Beth	Hickey		
Lynn	Hoffman		
Emily	Huttar		
Janet	Keithly		
Shan	Kilby		
Ann	Klotz		
Theresa	Krause		
Linda	Kusior		
Lesley	Mack		
Tom	Mack		
Lennie	Mathers		
Ester	Miller		
Martha	Mitchell		
Kathy	Nies-Hepner		
Siobhan	O'Brien		
Marianne	Pagington		
Ernie	Polanskas		
Bob	Powell		
Cindy	Quinnely		
Katherine	Rhindt		
Randie	Robinson		
Malcolm	Sarna		
Joan	Sarna		