

LPMGA Mission Statement: The Lafayette Parish Master Gardeners Association, Inc. assists the LSU AgCenter in educating Lafayette and surrounding areas about horticulture and environmental stewardship through the transmission of factual, research-based information.

LPMGA Vision Statement: Growing a vibrant, green, and healthy community through Horticulture Education



LPMGA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Cindy Wiley's Residence
Monday, February 27, 2017/1:00 P.M.

Call to Order: LPMGA President **Charles Turner** called the Executive Board Meeting to order at approximately 1:17 P.M.

Roll Call:

Jay Ruffin
Charles Turner
Cindy Wiley
Debbie Dupuy
Dan Devenport
Rene' Prejean

Approval of January 23, 2017, Executive Board Meeting Minutes: Charles Turner called for a motion to accept the minutes for last board meeting. Jay Ruffin motioned to approve, Cindy Wiley seconded, motion carried. Minutes approved.

President: Charles Turner led a discussion on buying a computer for the LPMGA for bookkeeping purposes.

Following the discussion Debbie Dupuy motioned to purchase a lap top computer for use by the treasurer with the capability of moving present quick books to LPMGA computer and passing computer on to the next treasurer.

Motion was second by Cindy Wiley. Motion approved

Vice President: Mary Ann Armbruster, absent (No Report)

Treasurer: Debbie Dupuy presented the LPMGA Treasurer's Report as of 02/27/17 there was \$27,377.27 in the checking account.

Corresponding Secretary: Cindy Wiley spoke for the need of volunteers not on a committee to contact committee chairs after 15 January. This also needs to be on the renewal form and handed in on time.

Last roster included 303 members. A discussion concerning purging non-active members of the LPMGA followed. Also mentioned was non-active members not to receive the newsletter.

Cindy Wiley will redo Renewal and Committee Selection form to make it more user friendly. Cindy Wiley made a motion for dues and the Renewal form to be accepted from 1 Nov to 15 Jan only. Motion was second by Debbie Dupuy. Motion passed.

Recording Secretary: Rene' Prejean (No Report)

Member-At-Large: Lorraine Allain, absent (No Report)

Volunteer Coordinator: Jay Ruffin discussed qualifications to be named a Sustainable Member.

This includes 10 consecutive years as a member to include 20 volunteer and 6 continuing education hours per year. Jay is in the process of reviewing active status of all members.

Ag Rep: Dan Devenport spoke about getting the correct spelling of names for member badges and that the cost will be \$7 ea. He also stated that he had contacted Dr. Roger Leonard concerning insurance coverage for LPMGA members. Dr. Leonard stated that official Ag center events will be covered. More information is coming. Insurance for Junior Master Garden Camp members will be \$1 per child.

Newsletter Chairman: Theresa Rohloff, absent (No Report)

Committee Reports: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Remove \$100 from budget for Acadiana Rose Society Senior Center, reason, rose beds have been disbanded.

Purchases since last board meeting: irrigation equipment and hedge trimmers for Demo Beds.

New LPMGA class needs to fill out forms and pay dues separate from fees.

Need to change website to be consistent for class application to have only 1 date for submission deadline.

President Charles Turner asked for a motion to accept the current budget. Debbie Dupuy so motioned to accept as is but to strike Acadiana Rose Society \$100 as amended. Cindy Wiley second. Motion passed.

Announcements: Thank you cards were sent to Avery Island and Live Oak Gardens for their participation in the recent LPMGA field trips.

Adjournment: Charles Turner requested a motion to adjourn. Debbie Dupuy moved to adjourn the meeting, and Cindy Wiley seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:13 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by Rene' Prejean

LPMGA Recording Secretary

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