

2LPMGA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
January 2019 Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 15, 2019/1:00 PM
Ira Nelson Horticulture Center – Library
2206 Johnston St, Lafayette, LA 70503

Not enough members in attendance, meeting rescheduled for Thursday, January 17th at 1:00 PM.
Ira Nelson Horticulture Center library.

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Call to Order: LPMGA President, **Juan Nieto**, called the Executive Board Meeting to order at approximately 1:17 PM

Roll Call:

Juan Nieto
Colette Anzalone
MaryAnn Armbruster
Ellen Garacci
Debbie Dupuy
Jay Ruffin
Patricia Soileau
Marsha Bayer
Mary Gladney
Louann McClelland-Long

President: Juan Nieto called for the approval of the December Board Meeting minutes
MaryAnn Armbruster moved to approve the December minutes
Jay Ruffin seconded
Motion passed

Vice President: Colette Anzalone updated the Board regarding speakers for our monthly Membership Meetings. Speakers have been scheduled through June.

Treasurer: Debbie Dupuy notified the Board that some expenses were omitted from the budget for 2019. An updated budget will be made available in February.

Corresponding Secretary: Ellen Garacci stated that the Membership Roster is being finalized and should be sent to the membership within a week.

Recording Secretary: Patricia Soileau – present, no report

Member-At-Large: Marsha Bayer expressed an interest in meeting with the different committees and individual members in an effort to know our members and to let them know her.

Volunteer Coordinator: Jay Ruffin informed the Board that there was a glitch with a few of our members recorded hours. He is aware of the problem and has notified LSU. Only two or three members were affected by this and their records have been corrected.

LSU Advisor: Dan Devenport – not in attendance

New Business:

Two LAFMG members are currently working towards their Advance Master Gardener Status: Mazie Movassaghi and Debbie Dupuy.

Juan discussed the shortage of volunteers working with the School Garden Initiative. He encouraged Board members to become involved and to assist in recruiting members to volunteer.

Juan reminded Board members that we should be attending committee meetings and contacting the committee chairs.

Representatives from each committee will be invited to meet with the Board.

Old Business:

There has been much discussion, by our members, regarding the LAFMG Sustaining Member status. LSU does not recognize our Sustaining Members and is requiring all members to enter their volunteer and continuing education hours. Our By-Laws states that our members must meet state requirements.

After much discussion by the Board members, MaryAnn Armbruster moved that Beginning January 1, 2019, we will work to become in compliance with LSU AgCenter guidelines by requiring all members (including those designated by LPMGA as Sustaining Members) to enter their volunteer and continuing education hours. The required hours will have to be recorded for members to be considered active in 2020 and subsequent years.

Jay Ruffin seconded

The motion passed

Announcements:

February Membership Meeting will be held Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 12:30 PM.
We will meet at the Downtown Branch of the Lafayette Public Library
301 West Congress Street, Lafayette

February Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 1:00 PM.
Meeting will be held in the library at ULL's Ira Nelson Horticulture Center
2206 Johnston Street, Lafayette

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Juan Nieto requested a motion to adjourn.
Jay Ruffin moved that the meeting be adjourned
Colette Anzalone seconded the motion
Motion passed
Meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:13 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Patricia Soileau
LPMGA Recording Secretary
Approved: _____