

**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**  
**Ira Nelson Horticultural Center**  
**Monday, June 26, 2017/1:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order:** LPMGA President Charles Turner called the Executive Board Meeting to order at approximately 1:05 P.M.

**Roll Call:**

Charles Turner  
Mary Ann Armbruster  
Cindy Wiley  
Debbie Dupuy  
Dan Devenport  
Linda Beyt  
Lorraine Allain  
Rene' L. Prejean

**President:** Charles Turner requested approval of the April LPMGA Executive Board Meeting Minutes. Mary Ann Armbruster motioned to approve the April LPMGA Executive Board Meeting Minutes, motion was second by Debbie Dupuy, motion approved, minutes accepted.

Charles Turner led a discussion regarding the shortage of continuing education hour for the Recording Secretary. Based on a review of hours submitted it was determined the requirements were met. President Turner asked for a motion regarding the matter. Linda Beyt motioned to keep Rene' Prejean as Recording Secretary. The motion was second by Mary Ann Armbruster, motion approved.

In further action, a discussion on sustained membership was addressed. It was determined that an application deadline extending to the end of October and sent to the Corresponding Secretary needs to be included in the LPMGA Member Handbook. A LPMGA membership starts in January. These items need to be added to LPMGA Member Handbook.

Dan Devenport noted that approximately 40 applications have been received so far for the class starting in August 2017.

President Turner also led a discussion of LPMGAs involvement in the McComb Veazey Neighborhood Community Farm. After discussion, it was decided that Cindy Wiley will contact Amy Wander, coordinator for the project, to determine if their request qualifies as to the LPMGA mission statement.

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

**Past President:** Linda Beyt reported on insurance for the LPMGA Executive Board. Initial inquiries put the cost at approximately \$600 per year. Linda will continue to look for companies that provide coverage.

**Treasurer:** Debbie Dupuy presented LPMGA Profit and Loss Detail for May 2017, the Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2017 and the LPMGA 2017 Budget.

Concerning the 2017 Budget, it was decided that the General Membership will need to vote on the amended budget to include additional expenses of a Laptop computer and Tax preparation.

Debbie also presented 3 resolutions for approval by the board:

- 1- To roll monies from a recently matured CD back into a possible longer-term CD.
- 2- Have the account at Iberia Bank set up for online banking per request by Iberia Bank.
- 3- Have the CFA quasi endowed account changed to a non-endowed account.
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Cindy Wiley motioned to approve the resolutions presented. The motion was second by Mary Ann Armbruster. All 3 resolutions were approved.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Cindy Wiley, (No Report)

**Recording Secretary:** Rene' Prejean requested that anyone making a motion or second a motion state their name for entry into the minutes. This will also help new members become familiar with other members in the organization.

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

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Jay Ruffin, absent (No Report)

**Ag Rep:** Dan Devenport reported that a plant press belonging to the LPMGA has been return and is available for use by is members.

**Newsletter Chairman:** Theresa Rohloff, absent (No Report)

**Committee Reports:** None

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**

Charles Turner introduced Ag County Agent Stan Dutile. Stan spoke on the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between LSU Ag Center and UL Lafayette.

- The memorandum was signed in February 2017.
- It includes the LPMGA, Livestock Show activity and UL Cade Farm.
- The memorandum will be for at least 10 years, possible longer.
- The memorandum also gives insurance coverage to LPMGA member activities with secondary coverage by UL Lafayette.

Stan suggested that LPMGA keep a list of improvements to the UL facilities for documentation of in kind improvement to the classroom, cottage, grounds, etc.

It was also suggested participation in a committee to include representatives of the UL Lafayette Physical Plant, District Livestock Show and Midwinter Fair Assoc. This committee will help coordinate improvements.

**Announcements:**

**LPMGA General Meeting** – No meeting in July

**LPMGA Executive Board Meeting** – No meeting in July, unless needed to approve action on BOD Insurance.

**Adjournment:** Charles Turner requested a motion to adjourn. Linda Beyt moved to adjourn the meeting. Lorraine Allain seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:30 P.M.

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Respectfully Submitted by Rene' Prejean  
LPMGA Recording Secretary

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