

**St. Charles County Master Gardeners (MG)**  
**Steering Committee Minutes (Approved)**  
**Friday, May 12 – 2023**

*Our mission is: To **provide horticultural information and training to the gardening public** based on University of Missouri research that is specific to the local climate, soils, and plants.*

## **Meeting at Extension room C**

No Zoom Meeting

**Steering Committee:** Joe Walker (President), Rebecca Poon (Treasurer), Laura Steimel (Vice-President), Cindy Platzer (Demo Garden lead), Patti Kolek, Catherine Ebone (absent)

**Invitees:** Donna Lindsey, Sydney Turner

**9:00 Call to order:** President

**Secretary's report:** Cindy Plater motioned to approve minutes and they were seconded. Motion was Passed.

**Treasurer's report:** Patti Kolek motion to approve treasurers report and it was seconded. Motioned passed. It was also motion by Rebecca Poon to release remaining budgets for the year and seconded. Motion passed.

**MU Horticulturalist Specialist/Coordinator:** Eli Isele                      Nothing to report.

**Extension:**    Deana Dothage, Laura Steimel

Nothing new.

**501(c)(3) update.**                                      Marsha Brown.

No updates

### **MOMGA**

Master Gardener of the Year nomination for MOMGA was submitted - Donna Lindsey.  
Garden of the Year nomination for MOMGA was submitted-Natural Habitat Area.

## **Standing Committee Reports -**

### **1. Membership committee: ,**

Review of Meet and Greet Orientation was done.

### **2. CE and AT:**                      It was discussed we need to get a committee or more people to assist with this.

### **3. Education Committee**    Patti Kolek

Still looking for a Speaker's Bureau lead should be the person to find the speakers within our organization and work with them as to their topic of presentation and get it approved by Eli.  
Status of Speaker's bureau and other presentations.  
2023 Plant America Garden Expo on May 13. MG will have a booth at the event.

Garden Tour advertising will be going out to all people on our MG email list for the month of June. It will also be on our webpage and facebook page. Were using sign up genius.

4. **Plant Sale, Greenhouse, Hoop House:**

**Plant Sale Activities** Marsha Brown, Catherine Ebone

Taking a short rest.  
Planning for next year.  
Expense projections for 2024 plant sale will be needed

**Greenhouse:** Laura Steimel, Nancy Torke.

Working on getting pots cleaned up. Need to put shade cloth up. Also need someone to clean exhaust fans and change belts on motors.

**Hoop House:** Donna Lindsey

Working on cleaning out shed for plants sale storage.

5. **Communication** Mary Medina Nothing new,

6. **Demo Gardens:** Cindy Platzer

Lead list has been developed will be put at hortline and on members only on web page.  
Garden activity is ramping up.  
Lot of new signage in garden.

7. **Hortline update:** Patti Kolek

Six people took Training on May 9th.. Some have signed up to so side by sides.

8. **Farmer's Market Table Update** Patti Kolek

Still needing volunteers.

9. **Upcoming Speakers and meetings:** .

May 25<sup>th</sup> No speaker is scheduled

This meeting will be a 'Show and Tell' event where committee leads, garden leads, and offsite project leaders will each have an opportunity to give a brief talk on what they do how MGs can support their various activities.

**Other status and information reports**

**Old Business:**

1. Master Gardener T-Shirts Status – Sydney Turner

T-shirts are in office by hotline desk and will be at next meeting.

2. Out of Town Field trip status: Prairie Fork Conservation Area - contact Maureen to sign up.

3. Location of the engraved 1,000-hour bricks-will be discussed at next leads meeting.

***New Business:***

*Laura Steimel motioned and it was seconded to renew Zoom Account. Motion was passed.*

*Boys and Girls Club Summer Program Starts in June*

**Adjournment**