

SEWMG Business & Budget Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2008
Members present: 34

President Judy Williamson called the meeting to order.

Prior Meeting Minutes

Deferred due to presentations by Financial Committee & 2008 Budget

Treasurer's Report

Deferred until March

Finance Committee Recommendations

John Hahn (Financial Planning Committee chair) presented the committee's recommendations for expenditures. There was good discussion among members present. Some bylaw changes will be required.

Budget

Bill Baumgarten presented the 2008 budget. Each line item was read, discussed and accepted. The final step is approval by the Board of Directors. Ann Wied and Sharon Morrissey expressed their appreciation for additional UWEX-Hort program support.

Old Business:

1. Survey Committee – Results were presented to the executive committee; copies of the report are available in the library for review, and there will be an article in the March/April newsletter. All survey comments were given to committee chairs and hort agents. We'll work toward making improvements.
Membership Committee – met and developed a mentoring survey for MG in training. Survey will be distributed at next week's class.
2. 2008 Conference Update – Website is going live today. An article in the upcoming newsletter will inform all master gardeners (with or without email access) about registration. Those without email can register through printed copies which will be available soon.

An email will be sent to each state (and Canada) MG coordinator that the site is available.

3. By-law Committee – Holding first meeting on February 26. Committee members are Nina Jones, Kathy Turner, Janet Manke-Fischer, Janet Wintersberger and Ed Kraus (chair).

New Business

1. Plant Sale Committee - First planning meeting 2/21 at 6:30 at UWEX-Milwaukee. Chair Bill Shaffer is distributing flyers to the new master gardening classes next week. Roxanne Lombardi will be scheduling digs. Plant sale date 5/17; Presale for MGVs only on 5/16 at 4 pm.

Motion to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Wintersberger