

**SEWMG Business Meeting Minutes**  
**June 10 2009**

**Members Present: 28**

Meeting was called to order by: Bill Shaffer, at 9:35

Consumer Horticulture Agent: Sharon Morrisey led a discussion on various Diseases/Disorders and Fungi found on some trees and woody plants. We were all given a copy of the revised edition of the UW-Garden Fact Sheet on these disorders and a list of Insecticides. Many of these are only cosmetic but will stress the trees.

Prior Meeting Minutes: Were approved and seconded as posted.

Treasurer's Report: Joy Towell read the report, and it was approved as read.

Old Business:

1. Plant Sale Report: Joy Towell stated financially it was very successful and John Hahn was also enthusiastic with the results. A recap meeting will be held on 6/22, at 7:00 p.m. A map will be posted on the internet with further directions closer to the date.
2. The garden at Will-o-Way is available for MG's to heel in some of their own plants for next year's sale. Just let Ed or Bill know when you want to do this.
3. A Finance Committee meeting will follow this business meeting today.
4. State Fair Staffing was addressed by Faouzi Kablaoui, who stated that we had only 6 openings left to fill. A children's project for 5-12 yr. olds will be presented this year. SEWMG will be added to the already existing pass-port program for children.

New Business:

1. State Fair Planning Meeting: will be held on Thurs. June 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 in the evening. We need such a meeting since a lot of changes have taken place over the past year.
2. A sign-up sheet was passed around for anyone interested in participating in the Garden Support Committee Meeting.

3. Janet Wintersberger brought several options for our picnic to the members to discuss. The Zoo picnic area or the Kneeland Walker Gardens, both of these sites were debated with the pros and cons of each. It was decided, to use the Kneeland Walker house this year and the Zoo next year.

Announcements and Calendar Review:

1. Faouzi Kablaoui was concerned about if our insurance would cover an individual getting injured in one of our gardens while working as a volunteer. A brief discussion followed, and Bill Shaffer will have someone address this concern to our insurance agent.

2. Sharon Morrisey: reminded us of "plant health" updates which are held every other Wednesday the next one being the 17<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed to work at various Farmers Markets.

3. Doris Fons reminded us of the garden walks at Boerner Botanical Gardens with the first of three that SEWMG will sponsor for its member's.

4. Doris Fons, made an announcement for Dennis Lukaszewski requesting help for the Milwaukee County Fair. If interested in offering your support, please call or e-mail him.

5. Sandy Manning requested all articles that are to be in the next newsletter to be sent to her.

Adjourned: at 11:05a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Redlinger, SEWMG secretary