## NORTH COUNTRY MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEERS, ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES 22 SEP 2022

**The meeting was called to order** by Roseann Meixelsperger at 5:30 PM from the Spooner Ag. Station Conference room and via Zoom.

**Attendees** included: Roseann Meixelsperger, Jill Fries, Deb Studly, Kimberly Kayler, Jill Washkuhn, Jessie Crane, Donna Amidon and Linda Zillmer.

**Minutes**: Minutes of the August 25, 2022, meeting were approved as written.

**Board Meeting**: A meeting was held September 15, 2022, to identify a slate of officers for 2023 or recommendations on how to proceed as an organization. There were no volunteers to fill the Board vacancies. Kimberly Kayler has a background in strategic planning and has agreed to send out a survey to all members requesting their opinions on the future of the NCMGVA. People can continue to be master gardener volunteers by meeting the requirements for education and volunteer hours and submitting hours to the canvas on-line reporting system at: <a href="https://volunteers.wimastergardener.org/vms/sec\_Login">https://volunteers.wimastergardener.org/vms/sec\_Login</a>

**Treasurer's Report**: Jill Washkuhn reported a checking account balance of \$2,884.04. The report was accepted as presented.

**WIMGA Updates**: The Fall Bulb presentation is still available on the WIMGA website. Go to <a href="www.wimga.org">www.wimga.org</a> and click on members only, password=wimga19, then click on Zannah Crowe, hardy bulbs presentation. On December 1<sup>st</sup> another presentation by Tovah Martin will be on houseplants. WIMGA is having their annual meting on December 1<sup>st</sup> and will be presenting By-Law Amendments.

**Teaching and Display Garden**: Garden clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM - noon. The tasks include cleaning out the garden shed. Terrie Johnson is working in the garden every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 AM to noon and would welcome assistance.

Children's Garden: Clean up is also October 8<sup>th</sup>

**Pinwheel Gardens**: Need people to harvest tomatoes and eggplant and take to storage shed for distribution to area food shelves.

Website, blogs and Facebook: Kimberly recently submitted a blog to Sue to post on our website.

**Online reporting system**: Keep reporting hours @ <a href="https://volunteers.wimastergardener.org/vms/sec\_Login">https://volunteers.wimastergardener.org/vms/sec\_Login</a>

## **Volunteer Opportunities:**

- September 28 & 29 10:00 AM Northwood Charter School will visit the gardens with 28 students and four chaperones.
- October 4<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM 1:00 PM Barron Electric's Spooner location is sponsoring an event and is asking us
  to provide a booth and information. Lunch will be served and guests can drop off unused prescription
  medications. The address is 1550 Paulson Drive, the road north of the teaching and display garden.
- October 6<sup>th</sup> Spooner Garden Club 9:00 AM 10:00 AM Requesting help in cleaning up their perennial bed at the Northern Wisconsin Veterans Cemetery, south of Spooner.

**Horticulture Inquiries**: No report

## **Upcoming Events:**

- Zoom meeting October 20<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM to begin strategic planning for future of NCMGVA.
- Potluck October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Aq. Station from 4:00 PM 7:30 PM

Next monthly meeting – Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 PM at Spooner Ag. Station and via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Deb Studley Secretary