

Minutes

Horticulture Co-op of Metro St. Louis

March 11, 2010 5:30 PM

433 Rollingwood Lane, Kirkwood

Members Present:

GPHA: Tammy Behm (2nd Vice President)

GSLFGA:

LNAGSL: Cindy Gilberg (President)
Jennifer Shamber (1st Vice President)

SLAA:

Executive Director: Bill Ruppert
Executive Secretary: Karen Koehneman

Opening Business/Announcements

Robert's Rules of Order were waived for this meeting

Committee Reports

Administrative/Management

- Minutes from January 21, 2010 meeting approved
- Bill Ruppert opened discussion regarding *Western Trade Show* name change to *National Green Centre* and alternating between St. Louis and Kansas City, next January event to be held in St. Louis. Group discussion about how Horticulture Co-op could be involved revolved around a possible silent auction to raise money for the scholarship fund. Bill to keep the group updated.

New Business

- Cindy Gilberg opened discussion regarding the Shaw Nature Reserve event on June 16 hosted by Scott Woodbury. Goal of event is to be informal and interactive. SNR will be responsible for registration, collect payment with checks made out to Horticulture Co-op. Horticulture Co-op would then pay the catering bill, and any remaining funds will be directed toward Horticulture Co-op's scholarship fund. All other costs associated with the event will be the responsibility of SNR, (drinks, tents, porta potties etc.)

Old Business

- Bill Ruppert opened discussion about updating the website in conjunction with online registration and credit card payment contract.
- Bill Ruppert will ask Paul Roberts for a list of bylaw changes to be considered.
- Bill Ruppert opened discussion about a Horticulture Co-op welcome for the incoming president of Mobot, Dr. Peter Wyse Jackson at Alberici and possibly an introduction at the 2011 Symposium.
- Cindy Gilberg opened discussion about grant writing—Gaylord Foundation

- Bill Ruppert gave update regarding *Power Plant Tour*; guided tours include Gateway Greening, Alberici, Kiener Plaza, City Garden and Bowood Farms.

Short Course

Grow Your Knowledge—Dry Side of Wet

Roy Diblik—Keynote Speaker

1. Missouri Extension Update—Nathan Brandt
2. Rain Water Harvesting/Smart Controller Craig Piszarkiewicz
3. LEED/SWT/ASLA
4. MSD update—Urban Water Management
5. Roof Top Garden
6. Tree Care—Mike Sestric
7. Vegetable Gardening—Steve Cline
8. Public Displays—Bill Ruppert
9. What's Hot in Retail
10. Top 10 Abiotic Problems—Dan Billman
11. Permeable Surface—Mike Basile
12. Dr. Steve Millett
13. New Introductions

Next Meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2010