

Landscape and Nurserymen's Association of Greater St. Louis

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Thursday, August 14th, 2008
NURSERY DAY

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

- 1) **Program: Nursery Day - Key Note Speaker: "Where Green & Sustainable Meet" by Jennifer Duffield White (GrowerTalks Magazine)**
- 2) **Meeting called to order at 12:40 P.M. Roll call via attendance sign-in sheet. (Mike Rood)**
- 3) **Welcome/Opening Comments (Mike Rood)**
- 4) **Secretary Report (Lance Dauw)**
 - a. There were not any comments reported by the membership regarding the minutes from the June meeting. Members can visit the website for the minutes from the previous meeting.
 - b. First Readings of Applications for membership:
 - 1) Active: **National Nursery Products – Lower Midwest** (Wholesale Horticulture Sales), O'Fallon, MO (Jeff Smith)
 - 2) Associate: **Tammy Behm** (Green With Envy), Webster Groves, MO
 - 3) Associate: **Loreen Morris** (Green With Envy), Webster Groves, MO
 - c. Second Readings of Applications for membership:
 - 1) Associate: **Anne McKinstry** (Pea Ridge Forest), Bowling Green, MO
 - c. 2nd Reading Applicant voted into membership.
- 5) **Treasurer Report (Bill Ruppert)**
 - a. Membership can view latest budget status and financial summary on the website.
 - b. CD amount was reinvested with Commerce Bank under a new 15 month CD with a better interest rate. Bill discussed two other possible CD investments, which he recommended the Board look into and make a decision on.
- 6) **Finance Committee Report – no report.**
- 7) **Program Committee Report (Sandi McDonald)**
 - a. Invitations for the Professional Tour at Home Nursery are being sent out.
 - b. Student Night will be held on Oct. 13th for a special Trivia Night.
- 8) **Membership Committee Report – no report.**
- 9) **Scholarship and Education Committee Report (Angela Jackson)**
 - a. The 2008 John L. Masek Ornamental Horticulture Scholarship was awarded during Nursery Day to Paul Guilfooy.
 - b. The Continuing Education Program "Landscaping for Homeowners" class will be held the first week of September.
- 10) **Public Relations and Marketing Committee Report (Bill Ruppert)**
 - a. The new association logo and 75th anniversary edition logo were voted upon by ballot and were approved unanimously by a vote of 21-0.
- 11) **Community Enhancement Committee Report – no report.**
- 12) **History Committee Report – no report.**
- 13) **Bylaws Committee Report (Gary Hinegardner)**
 - a. Presentation of proposed amendments to constitution and bylaws. They are also available on the website for review.
 - b. These bylaws will be voted upon at the November Business Meeting. Each proposed item will be voted upon separately.

14) Horticulture Co-op Representation Report (Jennifer Schamber)

- a. Any items that can be donated for the Silent Auction at the Professional Green Industry Short Course are requested.
- b. Any additional exhibitors for the Short Course are also requested.

15) New Business – none.

16) Industry Events

- a. **2008 Independent Garden Center Show**, August 19th-21st, Chicago, IL
- b. **2008 Far West Show**, August 21st-23rd, Portland, OR
- c. **Fall 2008 Hort Co-op Professional Green Industry Short Course**, September 11th, St. Louis Community College at Meramec (Horticulture Display Gardens), Kirkwood, MO
- d. **Spring 2009 St. Louis Garden Symposium**, March 7th, 2009, St. Louis Community College at Meramec
- e. **Professional Evening at Powell Gardens**, August 21st, 4-8:30 P.M., Powell Gardens, Kingsville, MO

17) Next event: Professional Tour, Monday, September 15th 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. Tour of Home Nursery production facilities in Albers, IL, including networking possibilities with members of Hortica Insurance and Employee Benefits and Illinois Green Industry Association

18) Adjourned at 1:05 P.M. (Mike Rood)