

**Fayette County Master Gardener Association
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.**

Present at the meeting: Kay Fisher, Debbie Johnson, Ann Henry, Ellyn Katen, Brenda Owen, Christine Parsons, Jane Peters.

I. Call to order and welcome

President Brenda Owen called the meeting to order.

I. Executive Committee Minutes from August 9, 2016

The minutes from August 9, 2016 were approved and will be made available online.

III. Officer Reports

A. Treasurer

Treasurer Kay Fisher provided the committee with copies of the *FCMGA Financial Status Report, 11/10/2016*.

IV. Standing Committee Reports

A. Continuing Education Units

Chair Clare Farnau submitted a report stating that the committee offered 70 CEU credit opportunities in 2016. 83 FCMGA members so far have registered having earned CEUs and 761 CEUs have been documented through sign-up sheets or online training to date.

B. Newsletter

No report. Chair Kelly Weber will produce her last *Master Gardener Newsletter* with the upcoming Winter 2016 issue. The committee extends our thanks to Kelly for her excellent service as Chair of the Newsletter Committee during the past six years.

C. Nominating

Chair Ellyn Katen provided a proposed slate of officers for 2017. The slate is a result of consultations with the current executive officers as well as nominations solicited from the FCMGA membership. The committee voted to accept the proposed slate. Debbie Johnson will publicize it in the upcoming newsletter and Ellyn Katen will send out an e-mail to the EMG membership.

President	Debbie Johnson
Immediate Past President	Brenda Owen
Vice President	Nancy Davis
Secretary	Jane Peters
Treasurer	Kay Fisher
Continuing Education Chair	Clare Farnau
Newsletter Chair	Scott Lemaster
Volunteer Projects Chair	Ann Henry
Nominating Committee	Ellyn Katen
	Christine Parsons
	Katharine Magruder

- D. Volunteer Projects**

Chair Ann Henry provided the committee with copies of the “Fayette County Master Gardener Volunteer Project Committees Report (November 10, 2016).”
- V. New Business**
 - A. Fiscal Matters**

Treasurer Kay Fisher provided members with a proposed budget for 2018. The MG fiscal year can be counter intuitive, running from February 1st to January 31st. Ellyn Katen, Debbie Johnson, and Christine Parsons volunteered to audit the EMG 2016 budget and soils accounts in early 2017.
- VI. Old Business**
 - A. Annual Potluck Picnic 2016**

Brenda Owen noted the strong attendance at the EMG Potluck Picnic held at Susan Umberger’s in August.
- VII. Announcements**
 - A. 2016 EMG Course**

The last class 2016 EMG training class was held on November 10th, the final exam on November 15th, and the graduation potluck was held on November 29th.
 - B. EMG Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting will be held on January 22, 2017. This year, instead of donations from EMG members, twelve gifts will be purchased for the raffle event.
 - C. Recognition of Brenda Owen**

Committee members joined Christine Parsons in recognizing and thanking President Brenda Owen for her fine leadership during 2016.
- VIII. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.