

**Fayette County Master Gardener Association
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.**

Members present: Donella Chenault, Nancy Davis, Jamie Dockery, Kay Fisher, Natalie Gray, Mary Hicks, Debbie Johnson, Brenda Owen, Christine Parsons, Susan Miller, Jane Peters and Carrie Spry.

1. Call to order and welcome

President Debbie Johnson called the meeting to order and provided members with contact lists of the 2018 FCMGA Executive Board and the Committee Chairs. She recognized and thanked outgoing members Ellyn Katen, Katharine Magruder, and Ann Henry for their service on the Board last year.

2. Approval of the Minutes

A. Executive Committee Minutes

The Minutes of the November 15, 2017 meeting were approved and will be made available online.

B. FCMGA 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

The Minutes of the January 28, 2018 Annual Meeting were approved and will be made available online.

3. Officer Reports

A. Treasurer

Treasurer Kay Fisher provided the committee with copies of the FCMGA Financial Status Report dated 1/31/2018 (Year-End) and also the current report as of 2/13/2018. Kay reiterated that one can become a member of the FCMGA by paying dues, even if not engaged in fulfilling the requirements of an "active member."

4. Standing Committee Reports

A. Continuing Education

In Chair Clare Farnau's absence, Debbie distributed her Continuing Education committee report and a current list of 2018 CEU Opportunities.

B. Newsletter

Chair Susan Miller reported that at the committee's first meeting, members focused on content for the Spring issue which will be published on March 7th and brainstormed possible format changes. Board members and committee chairs were notified of the February 21st submission deadline. Kay Fisher asked that a reminder be placed in the newsletter for people to pay their FCMGA dues.

C. Nominating Committee

Chair Christine Parsons reported that the members of the Nominating Committee will be identifying potential candidates throughout the year for the 2019 slate of nominees.

D. Volunteer Projects

Chair Mary Hicks distributed a Volunteer Projects report detailing committee activity.

5. Unfinished Business

A. FCMGA Annual Meeting 1-28-18

President Debbie Johnson thanked Vice President Nancy Davis for a wonderful annual meeting, the beautiful table arrangements, and for involving the 2016 class in the preparation. She also extended thanks to Christine Parsons for creating the Garden Bingo

game. Vice President Nancy Davis reported that all but four in the class of 2016 assisted with the meeting.

B. The 2018 FCMGA Memorial

Participants at the annual meeting elected The Hope Center for Women as the recipient of a memorial donation should we lose a master gardener this year.

6. New Business

A. Review of FCMGA and Soils accounts

An annual financial review will be conducted on March 9, 2018 by Debbie Johnson, Nancy Davis, and Donella Chenault.

B. Update Handbook

President Debbie Johnson recommended an update of the FCMGA Handbook and will head up the review. Because these are procedural changes, a vote of the membership is not required.

7. Announcements

A. Fayette County Horticulture Agent, Jamie Dockery

Jamie Dockery stated that inactive EMGs may not receive CEU credit nor may they record volunteer hours. Inactive EMGs are not covered by insurance.

B. Seed Swap

The Seed Swap will be held on Friday, March 2, at 11:00 a.m. in Room C at Extension.

C. 2018 FCMGA Picnic

The 2018 FCMGA annual picnic will be held on Sunday, September 9, at 4:00 p.m. at the home of Anne Lowe.

D. Future Executive Committee Meetings (all 9:30 AM)

Tuesday May 8, 2018

Wednesday August 8, 2018

Wednesday November 14, 2018

E. Newsletter Deadlines

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| Spring issue | February 21 | Deadline for submissions for Spring issue |
| | March 7 | Publish |
| Summer issue | May 15 | Deadline for submissions for Summer issue |
| | June 1 | Publish |
| Fall issue | August 15 | Deadline for submissions |
| | September 1 | Publish |
| Winter issue | November 15 | Deadline for submissions |
| | December 1 | Publish |

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.