



MGANM Board Meeting January 5, 2016

1. **Welcome & Call to Order:** 6:45pm
 - a. **Attendees:** Cheryl Gross, Glynis Waycaster, Michele Worden, Whitney Miller, Judy Reich
2. **President's Report - Michele**
3. **MMGA next steps**
 - a. In talks with MMGA about specifics of changeover
 - b. Peter Worden will incorporate MGANM as a membership non-profit
 - i. This is required
 - c. Waiting for bylaws template from Ruth and sequence of events to apply
4. **MGANM Scholarship**
 - a. \$250 for the Master Gardener College Scholarship at the August Picnic Silent Auction
 - b. November Recognition Silent auction raised enough for 2 \$150.00 Scholarships for the MSUE Master Gardener Training Course. Consensus is that one of these should be titled a Rick George Endowment
 - c. Michele is currently part of a committee to help raise funds or gain sponsors for the MSUE Master Gardener College. The goal is to keep the College affordable.
5. **Vice-President's Report – Cheryl**
 - a. No report but shared her concern about our need for publicity
6. **Secretary's Report - Judy**
 - a. Minutes from July and September Board meetings approved
 - b. Attendance at meetings: will update the spreadsheet in dropbox
 - c. Thank you notes for Anniversary event – in progress
7. **Treasurers Report - Glynis**
 - a. Membership update: Currently 31 Members paid for 2017
 - i. Whitney will work on updating last year's letters for MailChimp
 - b. Proposed 2017 budget: reviewed
 - c. Donation tax receipts- in progress
8. **The Real Dirt Editor - Cheryl**
 - a. Another successful edition
9. **Technology Chair - Whitney**
 - a. Facebook likes: 488 Website clicks: lower this month
 - b. Real Dirt: 291 subscribers 133 opens
 - c. Website changes: working on restructuring , green roof page in process
10. **2017 Program:** Schedule confirmed
 - a. Marketing materials for programming: posters and rack cards
 - b. Publicity Plan for programming: press releases
11. **Membership Chair – suggestions?** None- Events committee is also needed
12. **Coordinator's Report – Michelle F.-** none
13. **New Business:** For Next Board Meeting:
 - a. Sponsorships & Criteria for Scholarships + Create a Sponsors/Partners page on website

Adjourned: 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Reich, Secretary