

Over the Garden Gate Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2024 (2 members present – Chris &

Linda)

1. Call to order
 - a. Secretary Report – no report
 - b. Treasurer Report - Balance of \$1,006.01
 - c. Additions to Agenda – Online Reporting System is up and running
2. Old Business / Reports
 - a. Summer Trip – where do we want to go in 2024? Possibly toward Eau Claire (Jan Turner has some contacts); maybe Posey Patch tour – north of Greenwood. Contact is Lois Zimmerman. There is a greenhouse in Altoona as a possible site.
 - b. Spring Garden Conference – SATURDAY, April 6th. 9:30 to 12noon, We received a \$225 WIMGA grant for speaker fees. Room has been reserved. Valerie will check if we can get there at 8:30 to start setting up. Richard will speak (Biologics in the Garden) Brian Hudelson via Zoom - "Double Trouble: Diseases in the Vegetable and Herbaceous Ornamental Garden".

Chris will work on Internet setup (hopefully with Val's help) and Introductions; she'll bring tablecloths, coffee maker and coffee supplies, and cookies.

Linda will work on all Media advertising, set up Poster board, bring all paper products, donuts and soda.

Bottles of water??

- c. Fair Booth – Linda – New contact is [Christine Garbisch 715-797-4217](tel:715-797-4217)
- d. Library Flower Bed
 - a. Fairgrounds Flower Bed
 - b. Courthouse Flower Bed
 - c. Jail House Museum Flower Bed(* All of the flower beds were discussed with what worked and what didn't work this past season)
- d. WIMGA news - Chris – Chris and Linda attended last meeting via Zoom.

3. New Business

- a. Did anyone go to any programs or watch any online? (Linda Zoomed on a Q & A session with UW Horticulture staff and a talk on Lichens (Western Reserve via Zoom))
- b. Garden Visions in Wausau – January 27 – In person or Virtual
- c. Landscape and Garden Expo in Madison - February 9-11
- d. New assistant in Extension Office is Courtney Becker.
- e. Please respond to “Ask a Master Gardener” questions. There were questions on Knot weed and When to Prune
- f. For news, see WIMGA or UW Extension Website and Volunteer Vibe Newsletter.
- g. Any other discussions? Any tidbits or information?

Next meeting: March 25, 2024 at Courthouse Auditorium. 5pm