

WOMAN'S NATIONAL FARM & GARDEN ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL NATIONAL MEETING MINUTES

May 14, 2022

Remote locations

I Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by President Mary Schwark, Troy Garden Club Branch, MI. Kathy Beveridge, Bucks County Branch, PA, opened with a brief tutorial on using Zoom.

II Invocation

The invocation was given by Cheryl Malin, Waterford & Pontiac Garden Clubs, MI.

III Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Patty Burnside, Saginaw Garden Club, MI.

IV Quorum

- A. A quorum was at 10:08 am with 29 members logged in.
- B. President Mary recognized past presidents in attendance.
 - a. Kay Engelhart, Saginaw Garden Club Branch, MI
 - b. Rita Urbanski, Troy Garden Club Branch, MI
 - c. Mary Pat Ford, Ambler Keystone Branch, PA
- C. President Mary recognized the Executive Committee.
- D. Recording Secretary Phyllis Macke, Dooryard Garden Branch, OH, took an oral roll call with 32 members logged in at that time. Members were asked to state their name and identify branch they are member of.

Those branches represented were:

Ambler Keystone	5	Rochester Garden Club MI	3
Bloomfield Hills Garden Club	2	Saginaw Garden Club MI	2
Bucks County Branch PA	1	TAWA OH	1
Dooryard Garden Branch OH	1	Trailwood Garden Club MI	1
Franklin Garden Club MI	1	Tri-County Garden Club NY	1
Grosse Pointe Farm & Garden Club MI	1	Troy Garden Club MI	6
Lapeer Wildflowers Garden Club MI	1	Warren Garden Club	1
Milford Garden Club MI	1	Waterford & Pontiac Garden Club	2
Northville Garden Club MI	1		
Plymouth Garden Club MI	1		

Those branches not represented:

County Downs	Gross Pointe Shores	Port Huron	Springfield
Clarkston	Indian Village	Romeo-Juliet	Trenton
Grosse Pointe Park	Moonglow		

V Approval of Minutes from 2021 National Meeting

There were no questions, corrections, or changes to the minutes. The minutes will be filed as submitted.

VI Administrative & Operations Treasurer Mary Lynne Moellering, Rochester Garden Club, MI

- A. A & O 2021 Treasurer's report, 2022 Budget, and 2022 Treasurer's YTD reports will all be filed as corrected.
- B. "Thank you, Ed for all your help this year."

VI Education & Charitable Treasurer, Suzanne Smith-Oscilowski, Ambler Keystone Branch, PA

- A. E & C 2021 Treasurer's report, 2022 Budget, and 2022 Treasurer's YTD reports will all be filed as submitted.
- B. Explanation was given as to how scholarships are funded from investments.

VII Financial Chairperson Lenore Treba, Troy Garden Club, MI

- A. The approved 2023 will be filed as submitted.

VIII President Mary Schwark, Troy Garden Club Branch, MI

- A. Presented highlights of 2021-2022.

IX National Registrar Report – Cheryl Malin, Waterford Branch and Pontiac Branch, MI Cheryl reported that the WNF&GA has 1305 members. Details in meeting packet.

X President Josephine Sillanpaa, Michigan Division. Details in meeting packet.

XI 2021 Charitable Affairs Chairperson Karol Carter (absent) President Mary Schwark presented report. Details in meeting packet.

XII Frysinger International Project Fund presentation by Kay Englehart Saginaw Garden Club, MI and Kathy Beveridge, Bucks County Branch, PA.

- A. Electronic vote was taken and funds will be directed to Sustainable water, sanitation and energy by a 34% margin.
- B. Brief discussion was had regarding if entire \$2,000 needs to be sent to one cause or if it can be spread out. Motion was made by Bobbie Polk, 2nded by Charlotte Westbrook that the entire \$2,000 fund one project for 2022-23.

XIII Motions - Recording Secretary Phyllis Macke presented.

- A. Motion 1 - The concern was that the new scholarship would lose the history behind the Warren Sanders McNaughton Oceanographic Scholarship was mentioned. Suzanne Smith-Oscilowski gave an explanation that the Executive Committee had held much discussion on this during Executive Meetings and it was decided that a NEW scholarship

was being created to REPLACE the previous scholarship. It would still be recorded in history that previous scholarship existed. Virtual poll was taken; quorum approved new scholarship.

- B. President Mary Schwark asked if there are any additional nominations from the floor to serve on 2022-2024 Executive Committee. None came forth.
- C. Motion 2 - Recommendation of 2022-2024 slate of officers for WNF&GA Executive Committee. Virtual poll taken; motion carried.

XIV Adjournment – Mary Schwark, Troy Garden Club, MI

President Mary thanked Kathy Beveridge Bucks County Branch, PA for organizing the Zoom meeting. She then adjourned the meeting at **11:47 am**.

XV Post Adjournment

Members switched to gallery view and spent time socializing.

Submitted by:

Phyllis Macke, Dooryard Garden Club Branch, OH, WNF&GA Recording Secretary