

## LOS ALAMOS MASTER GARDENERS

### Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Fuller Lodge Nambe Room

**Program:** Jennifer Dann, **Statewide Inventory of Trees** (please note that Jennifer moved out of state right after this presentation). She presented a wealth of information and answered many questions.

**President (Facilitator):** Carolyn Mangeng

#### Reports

Approved **minutes** written by Judy Magelssen for February 6, 2020 meeting.

**Treasurer Report** by Laurie Walker – balance \$7368.58.

1. Please pay your 2020 member dues of \$25.00 if you have not already. Please include your contact information for verification when you pay your dues.

**Extension Agent Report** by Carlos Valdez – nothing reported at this time

**Demo Garden:** Denise Garden

**Grass garden** – The grass garden redesign plan is to begin with a blank slate by removing all but a few identifiable grasses, use pea gravel mulch and establish a flagstone pathway. The resulting garden should be easy to maintain and attractive and provide an example ornamental grasses to the public.

**Garden Tours 2020:** Michelle Berkebile

The 2020 Garden Tours will be Saturday, June 18, 2020 from 9 am to 1 pm. Beth Kniss pulled out so committee will try to find a replacement. White Rock may need to be the solution. Need write-ups for each of the gardens on the tour. (Garden Tour was cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic social distancing considerations.)

**Hope Garden memorial plaques:** Doris Thielemann – still working on it.

**Science Fair:** Coleen – a thank you card from one of the winners was circulated

#### **Old Business**

- 1) Exemption of Life Members from Active Member requirements was presented by Carolyn Mangeng. Currently our Standing Rules read: Lifetime members are exempt from meeting the Active member requirements. **I would propose changing that last sentence to: “Lifetime members may be exempted from meeting Active Member requirements as permitted by the State ByLaws.”** Motion by Michelle Berkebile and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat Mccarty. Motion passed.

#### **New Business**

- 1) LAMG Googlegroup and LAMG password protected information was explained by Laurie Walker for Cathe Ragsdale. (Input by Cathe Ragsdale was given beforehand – Cathe was not present).
- 2) Do we want a LAMG booth at Earth Day Festival on April 25, 2020. General consensus - **NO**

#### **Informational items:**

- 1) Santa Fe MG workshop on composting – March 15<sup>th</sup> (Carlos Valdez)
- 2) Fruit Growers Workshop (Rosmarie Frederickson)

### **Upcoming Meetings/Programs**

April 2: Program - Jacqueline Fletcher on Biosecurity at White Rock Library – **Cancelled due to Covid-19**

May meeting (TBD) will be the 2020 LAMG Graduation celebration - **Cancelled due to Covid-19**

September 3, 2020 starting at 7:00 pm – possible Zoom meeting - topic discuss both successes and failures - you've had gardening this season

**Members present** (20): Michelle Berkebile, Dena Brent, John Huang, Pat McCarty, Kok-Heone McNaughton, Judy Magelssen, Carolyn Mangeng, Coleen Meyer, Pallas Papin, Peggy Reneau, Kimberli Tanner, Doris Thielemann, Carlos Valdez, Laurie Walker, Bob Walker, Rosmarie Frederickson, Denise George, Ronalie Moss, Nancy Nunnelley, Marjorie Selden

**Visitor:** Paul Frederickson

**Historical Reference:** Due to the New Mexico Health Orders restricting mass gatherings to five people or less effective March 16, 2020 until ??? - all Los Alamos Master Gardener meetings and activities were cancelled until ???. This Order was due to the Covid-19 pandemic.