

Bergen County Master Gardeners Board Meeting – April 24, 2012-04-25

The meeting opened at 5:35 pm.

Present: Karen, Joseph, Sissel, Janet J., Charles, Leslie, Jane, Sally, Lora, Janet A., Lucy, Hank, Barb, John.

Minutes of the March 27, 2012 meeting were approved.

The Treasure reported an end of the month (March) balance of \$13,584.92.

In response to a previous question as to how to approach Rutgers on board concerns, Karen announced that a formal conduit of approach has been determined: Karen (President BCMG) to Joel (Bergen County Ag. Agent) to Rutgers.

Picnic date and place undetermined: sent on to committee.

Joel's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration: sent on to committee for final arrangements. Board passed motion made by Jane and seconded by Leslie that a date be determined within the next two months to hold a luncheon at a local restaurant where the BCMG membership will honor Joel on this special occasion.

Leslie made a motion that a dinner for two gift certificate in the amount of \$200.00 be purchased as a gift for Joel. Janet J. seconded the motion and the board approved.

Karen reported the extension of full membership to two members who reported financial hardship. This action can be taken at the discretion of the BCMG president as voted in a recent meeting.

Excellence Awards nominees will be voted upon shortly.

Joseph reported on the new website.

The Kolvek Sale is on the calendar for Friday, June 1.

A trip to Central Park is set for May 3.

Many outreach opportunities are available and Lora will distribute sign up sheets at this evening's meeting.

Lucy is planning the BCMG sponsored tea for area garden clubs which is set for May 29.

Jane will update the list of garden centers that offer BCMG a discount on garden purchases.

An exciting fall state conference is in the planning for October 6.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00.