

**Master Gardener Association of Bergen County
Board Meeting Minutes – December 19, 2023**

Present: Hosting – Melody Corcoran, Karen Riede, Suzanne Danzig, Theresa Schneider, Miriam Taub, Arnie Friedman, Jean Friedman, Herb Arbeiter, Joseph Cooper, Keith Mazanec, Elizabeth Gil, Donna Faustini

Absent: Janet Schulz

The meeting was called to order by President Corcoran at 5:40 pm and was held via Zoom.

President – Melody Corcoran

Melody stated that the purpose of tonight's meeting was to present the new slate of officers for 2024 and vote on the slate to be presented at January's meeting. She then turned the meeting over to the Nominating Committee. Joseph Cooper reported.

Joseph reported that he had spoken with Lisa Yoler, Class of 2019, and she was interested in the vice president's position.

The slate of officers for consideration is:

President: Theresa Schneider

Vice president: Lisa Yoler

Jean Friedman has accepted the position of Treasurer, Janet Stofkoper will chair Membership, and Chris Kozar will chair Hospitality.

***Motion:** Joseph motioned that the board approve the slate of officers and present them at the January general membership meeting for a vote. Arnie seconded the motion. All in attendance voted yes. APPROVED.

***Motion:** Arnie motioned to release the slate to the general membership via email for their consideration prior to January's meeting. Joseph seconded the motion. All in attendance voted yes. APPROVED.

Joseph will put together verbiage to go along with the slate of officers and forward it to Miriam for distribution to the general membership.

Keith will present the slate of officers at the January, general membership meeting for voting.

Following was a discussion regarding the invoice submitted by Jeffrey Chan for signs he purchased for the 2023 fall festival. Joseph motioned that we pay the invoice. Jean inquired what the approval process was for expenditures. Joseph replied that the president has the authority to spend under \$100.00. Melody stated that expenses over \$100.00 must be approved by the board.

***Motion:** Joseph motioned that we bring this subject up for further discussion during January's meeting. Arnie seconded the motion. All in attendance voted yes. APPROVED.

***Motion:** Arnie motioned to adjourn the meeting. Joseph seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12pm.