

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

West Virginia Master Naturalists State Conference, Canaan Valley Resort and Conference Center

August 21, 2021, 4:30 PM

Meeting called to order by Andrea Dalton, Chair-4:39PM

Reports by Chair

- 2020-2021 Year of W.Va. Master Naturalists mostly served by Zoom meetings
- Two inactive chapters, Pocahontas County and Ohio County, Wheeling
- New chapter starting- Glenville
- Improvements during past year made by Becky Linger, secretary.
 - Tax return, charter document created, updating course descriptions
- Updating manual by Tommy Zeitz
- Archives of pictures created

Treasurer's Report by Carol Nix

- \$ 17,221.98- Checking Acct.
- 13,196.45- Paypal Acct,
- 500.00- Collected at Conference
- \$ 20,918.43- Total

Amendments to By-laws

- Changes reviewed by Chair
- Appendices A-F for policy of setting up chapters and procedures reviewed
- With one small terminology change suggested ("webpage to website") the amendments were approved. Motion to approve-Barbara Howell, Second-Tommy Zeitz, Unanimous vote to approve.

Acceptance of Change in status of Pocahontas and Wheeling Chapters approved. Motion- Herb Myers,

Second- Alyssa Hannah

Election of new officers for 2021-2022

- Candidates- Becky Linger-Chair, Mike Vernon-Vice Chair, Lewis Cook- Secretary, Carol Nix-Treasurer, Steve Swank and Sam Muncy- At Large Representatives.

Motion to approve acceptance of candidates-Jim Van Gundy, Second-Janice Flory, Unanimous vote to approve. Request for nominations from floor- none offered. Motion to elect nominated candidates-Jim Van Gundy, Second -Barbara Howell. Unanimous vote to approve.

Honors presented- by chair-Andrea Dalton

John Bocan- Outstanding Service as webmaster

Denise Sullivan- Creation of website

Rose Sullivan, Sam Morris, Jim Van Bundy, Cathy Leo and Walt Kordek- Contributions to the
Origin of West Virginia Master Naturalists as an organization

Honor presented by Scott Warner, DNR

Andrea Dalton- Outstanding service as chair of past year of high demand for leadership.

Minutes prepared by secretary- Lewis Cook