

VMIGC

January 13, 2020 amended general meeting minutes

President Cathie Crouse called the meeting to order at 9:45 am.

There were 52 in attendance, including 1 guest.

Secretary's report

The minutes from the December 9, 2019 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report

The current bank balance is \$19, 253.

Greenhouse and propagation committee report

Nancy H. and Nancy K. reported on beginning plans for the greenhouse operation for the plant sale. There are materials at the greenhouse to make more tables. Volunteers are needed to build. Request for 4" pots, to be collected and washed prior to bringing to Matsuda greenhouse. Also requested are more pots of all sizes to share for members to pot their Dirty Dozen.

President: new/old business

Please return Garden Club library books that you have borrowed.

Thank you to Julia Lakey for certifying Vashon as a NWF habitat community.

The following positions will be open for next season: vice president, treasurer, refreshments chair, web site/publicity chair, membership/hospitality chair, community gardens selections chair, and community garden dinner chair. Let Linda Stermer know of your interest or nominations.

Ask the experts

Cindy added more winter interest plants to add to the list from the last meeting. She described using wood ash to raise the ph in soil for alkaline tolerant plants. Other winter tasks: read seed catalogs! For reports on reliability of mail-order garden supplies, go to gardenwatchdog.com.

Becky introduced some new and old tools.

Shoutouts

Today's table arrangements using winter interest plants were beautiful.

"Raise the Vibe" will be held Sat., Jan.18, at the Methodist Church, for a \$10 fee. This seminar features healers of all types beyond current western medicine.

Look at Facebook's Vashon Amateur Gardening forum to answer garden questions or offer answers.

Vashon's King County library needs donated books to sell for the Friends of the Library ongoing fundraising.

Meeting adjourned.

Refreshments served.

Mellissa Schaffer presented a program in slope restoration and maintenance.