Minutes

Michigan Garden Clubs, Inc. District IIB Steering Committee Meeting February 21, 2019 Michigan Nature Association

Present: Barb Ketchum, Sue Wittick, Peggy Bryson

Guest: Kathy Seidowski

Meeting commenced at 1:10 pm.

We talked with Kathy, who may be interested in participating on a new steering committee, about the steering committee and member responsibilities.

Barb reported on plans for the spring District event scheduled for April 18 in Howell. She is working on the agenda, which allows 15 minutes for announcements and 15 minutes for flower show information. She has developed a budget that provides for the 10% overage that MGC requests. Tomato Brothers will cater the event. To keep costs down, and because many participants bring their own beverages, we decided not to provide soda or coffee. The District will have a table for sale of pollinator pins and earrings as well as notecards featuring photos by members of the IIB Photographers group. After discussion, we decided not to pursue a suggestion that gift cards be sold as a fundraiser.

To protect tables at the Michigan Nature Association during IIB Designers meetings, Sue said she purchased poster board. She notes this could also be useful to crafters. Since the boards are associated with floral design education, she will talk with Lois about whether ShowSpan would reimburse the cost.

The group approved purchase of a ¼ page ad in the 2019 MGC annual conference program. Peggy will submit the ad form and check and Sue will send the same graphic as was used for the District's 2018 MGC conference program ad.

The leader of IIB Quilters has resigned, so a new group leader will be sought.

Barb reports that she has sent Sue an article and photos for the cover page of the March, 2019, District newsletter. She will ask Green Thumb Garden Club to be Club of the Month for April's newsletter

Peggy will contact Green Thumb and Sherwood garden clubs about attending a meeting this spring. Sue and Barb are interested in this, too.

The group made plans to attend the DeWitt Millennium Garden Club spring speaker program on March 25.

Next Meeting: To be determined pending scheduling a meeting with the new steering committee.

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 pm.