



OMGA 4th Quarter Board Meeting Agenda
Nov 1, 2024, 3:30 PM Zoom

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Agenda Item	Discussion/Notes	Discussion Leader
Welcome, Agenda Review	Chris opened the meeting at 3:31 and called roll: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chris (president) ● Janet (treasurer) ● Guests: Dr. Leslie Madsen ● Benton Co. - not represented ● Central Gorge - Eric Bosler, Mary Corl ● Central Oregon - Karen Simonet ● Clackamas - Barb Seekin ● Clatsop - Missy Bright ● Columbia - not represented ● Coos - Mary Dixon ● Curry - not represented ● Douglas - Patrice Sipos ● Jackson - not represented ● Lane - Laura Hoover ● Lincoln - Laura Strom, Kristi Kind, Trish Riley ● Linn - Ann Kinkley ● Marion - not represented ● Malheur - not represented ● Multnomah - Rich Becker ● Polk - Sharon Hill ● Tillamook - Wendy Kunkel ● Umatilla - Cary Wasem-Varela ● Wasco - Paulann ?? ● Washington - Deb Hansen ● Yamhill - Susan Burdell, Linda Coakley (OMGA Historian) ● Colet Allen 	Chris Rusch
Agenda Review & Additions	No additions	All
Approval of the September minutes	Link to minutes on the website All approved	All
<u>Reports/Information</u>		
Guest speaker	Shared a presentation: Working with the OSU Foundation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Intro to the OSU Foundation ● Master Gardener Funds ● What is "Gift Planning" ● A starting place for legacy planning 	Andrew Norwood

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Endowed funds & Charitable Giving ● Contact info: andrew.norwood@osufoundation.org 	
OSU Extension Program coordinator Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tightening up the Seed to Supper Program. ● Sent out a survey to elicit feedback from past facilitators. ● Beginning in February, there will be more trainings for future S2S facilitators. ● Program coordinators were sent a lengthy survey to get information about volunteer hours, media presence, pounds of produce donated, etc. ● 1750 - total number of certifications (including recertifications) so far ● Sending wifi hotspots to Josephine county for members that do not have funding for a program. 	Dr. Leslie Madsen
4th Quarter Financial Report Year to Date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Josephine County sent assets to OMGA but these are not listed as assets ● Janet will be meeting with Chase Bank to purchase a separate CD for this money to hold for Josephine Co. until such time as they can restart. ● Dues are listed in the budget showing the reduction of dues that will be voted upon today. ● Joy of Gardening revenue 2024 \$6,887 	Janet
OMGA Budget for 2025	<p>Link to the OMGA proposed budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Proposal to reduce dues from chapters ● Proposal to increase several grant amounts ● Went over other line items as deemed necessary ❖ Eric Boslser moved that we accept the 2025 budget as presented ❖ Colet Allen seconded ❖ No one opposed - approved unanimously 	Janet
Database/List Serve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Missy sent out a spreadsheet today. ● Send her updated info. 	Missy Bright
Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ann recently sent out the fall newsletter. ● The next one comes out near the end of January. ● She reads the chapter reports for ideas and also from ideas and suggestions received via email. ● Would like to include information about how chapters are applying for grants. 	Ann Kinkley
Historian updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nothing to report ● There is a tab on the website that includes historical information 	Linda Coakley
Joy of Gardening Conference 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Need to select a date and a venue. ● The venue needs to have cheap lodging available (like the dorms). ● Chris will send out an invite to participate in the planning meeting (possibly next week). ● People can email Chris if interested in participating in the planning. 	Chris
Advocacy report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Missed the first couple of items (apologies - a student walked in) ● Legislative Day will be March 5th and that is when to visit legislative offices and make requests ● Starting in February with a letter writing campaign 	Laura Strom

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● #1 Focus will be to ensure continuing service levels as well as adding capacity and expanding programs ● More information in late December or early January 	
Website committee report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The committee has been meeting to make the website easier to navigate and remove outdated information. 	Leslie/Chris
Updated MOA with OSU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chris shared the updated MOA on screen. She sent it out with the agenda. ● A good document for reps to share with chapters - explains the relationship between OSU and MG Associations. ❖ Eric Boslser moved that we approve the MOA with OSU ❖ Patrice Sipos seconded the motion ❖ No one opposed - motion passes 	Chris/Dr. Madsen
<u>New Business</u>		
Approve OMGA dues at \$5 per member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Kristi Kind made the motion that we approve the dues reduction to \$5 per member ❖ Colet Allen seconded the motion ❖ no one opposed - motion passes 	
Executive board nominations for 2025	<p>President Elect - Vacant President - Chris Rusch Vice President - Leslie Ray Treasurer - Patrice Sipos Secretary - Cary Wasem-Varela</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Eric Bossler moved that the slate of officers for 2025 be accepted ❖ Missy Bright seconded the motion ❖ no one opposed - motion passes 	
OMGA Dec. 6th retreat agenda	<p>Setting goals for 2025 What do chapters want from OMGA?</p>	
NEXT MTG	Dec. 6th via Zoom	