



MASTER GARDENER FOUNDATION OF KING COUNTY

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, January 8th 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88172076722> Meeting ID: 881 7207 6722
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In attendance

Directors: Daryl Schlessor, Phil Fordyce, Trish Bloor, Gary Scheider, Suzi O’Byrne, Linda Kaufman, Dawn Rubstello, Nancy Marshall, Marie Kurka-Brown, Mary Ellen Stone, and Lynda Firey Oldroyd.

Program Coordinator: Sarah Moore (ex-officio)

Members: Wesa Anderson, Susan Zachwieja, Katherine Anderson, and Lauren Gallegos

Guests: none

Agenda

- 6:32 Call to Order (Daryl)..... 3 minutes
 - Welcome Foundation Members and guests
 - Quorum confirmation: The Secretary confirmed a quorum of Directors was present
 - Approval of the December 2025 minutes – Mary Ellen moved to approve the minutes; Suzi seconded; the motion passed.
 - Review of December action items:
 - Governance Task Force is working on bylaw revisions
 - EMG merchandising team will be developing a proposal for the Board to review

- 6:35 President’s Report (Daryl, on Joan’s behalf)..... 5 minutes
 - The graduation for the 2025 interns will be January 10 at BBG, starting at 9 am. Directors are requested to serve as greeters and staff a table to represent the Master Gardener Foundation of King County
 - Kayah Swanson’s new contract has been signed.
 - The Foundation annual meeting will be held February 28th at 1:00 pm, via Zoom.

- 6:40 Clinic Refresh - Capital Funding Update (Wesa Anderson) 3 minutes
 - The Clinic Leadership Team is working on a proposal to be submitted for the Board’s review and potential approval next month.



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- 6:43 Program Update (Sarah) 7 minutes
- 7:00 Treasurer’s Report (Nancy) 10 minutes
- Financial information and the proposed 2026 budget were sent to Directors prior to the meeting.
 - Approval of the Foundation 2026 Budget – Suzi moved to approve the 2026 Budget; Trish seconded; the motion passed.
- 7:10 Governance Task Force Update (Mary Ellen)10 minutes
- Update on work to develop updated bylaws, including proposed revisions to leadership structure.
- 7:20 Development Committee (Daryl).....5 minutes
- Report on Fall Appeal results
 - Grant application for \$3,000 submitted on behalf of Cesar Chavez Demo Garden; if received, funds will offset the garden’s 2026 budget request
- 7:25 Director Elections (Daryl) 3 minutes
- The Director Recruitment Task Force has been formed and will start planning for the next election cycle.
- 7:28 New business 0 minutes
- No new business.
- 7:28 Adjourn
- Linda K. moved to adjourn; Suzie seconded; the motion passed.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 12th, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm, on Zoom

References:

See information sent to Foundation Directors prior to this Board meeting.

Attachments:

None.