Prepared by Ann Sawyer

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**EAB MEETING MINUTES – March 19, 2025**

**9-10 am via Zoom**

**ATTENDEES:**

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| Marilyn Kinkel | Lajauna Smouse |
| Neva Leigh | Sophie Sterling |
| Ann Sawyer | Susan Smouse |
| Pam Hanna | Catherine Salam – Board Chair |
| Trish Hennessy-Webb | Kaitlyn Baligush – AAMG Interim Coordinator |

Guest: Carole Fullagar

1. Meeting called to order at 9:03
2. **Chair’s Opening Remarks**

Catherine welcomed our new member Trish Hennessy-Webb. Trish shared that she has worked on Seed Swap and Farmer’s Market Ask a MG in Annapolis. She is also a member of the Watershed Stewards Academy. She has served as the finance person for her HOA and for WSA.

**B. Approval of Meeting Minute**

Motion made by Sophie Sterling.

Seconded by Neva Leigh.

Minutes Approved

Unanimous Approval

1. **Coordinator’s Report**
2. **Maxine’s Return**

Maxine will be back April 5th for the Seed Swap. Kaitlyn thinks Maxine will be in the office starting April 7th.

Action: Kaitlyn will confirm Maxine’s return date.

1. **Baywise**

There have been 3 regional meetings with Baywise across the state. They are revising the Yardstick. Stacey Small-Lorenz reports that there are no project chairs for Anne Arundel County yet.

1. **Budget**

It was suggested that Shannon Currey receive an honorarium for her presentation to the members. Sam ( last name) gave the information to Shannon of how to get paid. The amount will be $250.

1. **Old Business**
2. **2025 Season Liaisons for Projects**

Catherine shared the table she made and edited it with the board. It is attached to the end of the meeting minutes.

1. **Monthly Meeting Speakers**
2. April 2025 – Mikaela Boley on Weed ID
3. May 2025 – Plant Swap
4. June 2025 – TBD

Pam will ask Kim Forry to do something on herbs. It was suggested that Kim receive an honorarium. Kaitlyn was not sure this is possible since Kim is a Master Gardener.

Action: Kaitlyn will check on an honorarium for Kim.

1. July?
2. August?
3. **Collaboration with Maryland Native Plant Society**

Dennis Whigham is confirmed to lead the tour. The suggest date is May 10.

Action: Sophie will confirm the date with SERC and Dennis. She will find out the cap on Master Gardener participants. Pam will fill out the paperwork.

1. **Project Chair/EAB Liaison Meeting**
2. The meeting will be held Monday, March 31, 2025 at 11:00 am. The meeting will be at the Dairy Farm with a Zoom option.
3. The agenda was reviewed and approved.
4. Dr. Cho will attend in person.

Action: Kaitlyn will do a trial run to make sure the Zoom meeting runs smoothly.

1. **Updates from Liaisons**
2. RePollinate Anne Arundel

Action: We will consider options when Maxine returns.

1. Severna Park Farmers Market Garden
2. The installation is going well. WSA donated two dogwood trees. Lots of other people have donated plants. They will get a sign to post in the garden.
3. Including the garden as a separate project from Ask a Master Gardener was discussed. They would get a budget but don’t need anything at the present time. Pam didn’t feel it needed to be a project.

Action: Pam will talk to Kim about making the garden a separate project.

1. Ann Sawyer reported that she did a presentation, 5 Steps to a Native Garden” at Crofton Library. She had 32 participants. Ann also gave two talks to Garden Clubs about Including Native Plants in an Existing Garden.

Action: Ann will send Pam the dates of future public presentations for the Friday Flash.

1. **New Business**

There was no new business.

1. **Meeting adjourned at 10:06**

Motion: Marilyn Kinkel

Second: Sophie Sterling

Next Meeting Date will be April 16, 2026.

Catherine will be absent but Neva will chair

2025 Project Chairs Contact Info

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