West Virginia Master Gardener Association Annual Meeting June 2, 2007

The June 2, 2007 Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Master Gardener Association was held at the State Fairgrounds in Fairlea, West Virginia with 30 people attending.

President, John Griggs, called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

The Annual Minutes of the April 8, 2006 minutes had been distributed electronically, and after addition of Jean Dawson's last name, the minutes were approved.

Reports:

<u>Financial</u>- Treasurer, Gary Perigo reported after expenses and deposits, the West Virginia Master Gardener Association general fund has a balance of \$5,648.31.

The Scholarship Fund's cash ending balance as of April 30, 2007 is \$39,531.69, of which \$4,620.07 was earnings. There was a 13.6% return and a projected 10% return this year.

The cash account balance is \$2,383.77.

After motion made by Delores Barber and seconded by Neva Gocke, it was RESOLVED, that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented.

Extension-Dr. John Jett gave the West Virginia University Extension Report as follows:

- -He attended the International Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas.
- -A National Committee has been formed to develop a national presence for the Master Gardener Associations. A logo has been chosen to get the program recognized nationally and "white paper" created to show to politicians, etc. to outline a national program.
- -E-Extension is an interactive on-line information system which will launch this fall with 5,000-10,000 FAQs (facts and questions) and an "ask the expert" section.
 - -First Detector Training being developed.
- -The new Director of Extension is Dave Miller, former Deputy Director of Agriculture.

<u>Volunteer Activities</u>- Jill Dolen reported on the success of the DVD Lending Library. Janet Cain of Manington donated 15 DVDs.

<u>By-laws Revisions</u>-Neva Gocke explained the reasons for the changes and after motion duly made by Betty Harler and seconded by Pat Rose, it was

RESOLVED, the By-laws of the West Virginia Master Gardener Association be revised as proposed by the By-laws Revision Committee.

<u>Nominating</u>-Larry Lower presented the slated of officers. After motion duly made by Neva Gocke and seconded by Jean Dawson, it was

RESOLVED, the slate of officers for the 2007-2009 term be: President – Jill Dolen, Marshall County Vice President – Polly Reynolds, New River (Fayette) Secretary – Diana Higginbotham, Harrison County Treasurer – Jan Hargate, Kanawha County Member at Large – Pat Izzo, Greenbrier Valley Member at Large - Lee Reger – Harrison County

The $\underline{2008}$ Annual Conference will be held April 4-6, 2008 at the John 23^{rd} Center in Kanawha County.

Delores Barber reported the 2011 International Conference will be held October 11-15, 2007 and presented a power point program showing what West Virginia has to offer.

With no further business to come before the meeting a motion to adjourn was made by Lee Reger and seconded by Betty Wiley.

	John Griggs, President	
Polly Reynolds, acting Secretary		