



ADVISORY GROUP MINUTES

October 2, 2008
8:00 AM – 9:30 AM
Urban Affairs Center
The University of Toledo

Members of Advisory Group

Dick Bostdorff

Michael Carroll

Tom Creque

Bill Dearing

Beth Fausey

Theresa Hoen

Tony Keil

Walt Krueger

Joe Perlaky

Lindsay Potts

Neil Reid

Tom Wardell

Joe Perlaky called the meeting to order at 8:09 am

Attendance – (9) Walt Krueger, Dick Bostdorff, Kirk Mizerek, Beth Fausey, Paula Ross, Neil Reid, Joe Perlaky, Tom Wardell, & Serenity Carr

▪ Bylaws:

Paula stated another letter will be mailed to remind growers to attend and vote in the election of MVGA's first Board of Directors, a body which will govern the operations of MVGA in the coming year. The election will be held on Thursday, October 9th in the Conference Center at the Toledo Botanical Garden.

▪ GES Update:

Kirk mentioned that MVGA has purchased 90% of the gas for GES through May. The bi-monthly conference call will be held tomorrow. The two previous hurricanes did a lot of damage. Oil is presently at \$98-99 per barrel. ONLA will send out their major announcement in two weeks regarding their partnership and roll-out of their GES program. They will take an active support role in promoting and managing the gas program on behalf of its members.

▪ ONLA:

Joe said the GES energy program will be listed as one of ONLA'S list of services in their new edition of "The Buckeye" coming out in November.

▪ Driving Tour:

Paula informed us there will be a fall '08 driving tour for select greenhouses around the Toledo Metropolitan area. The first tour involves Hoen, Gedert & Wardell's Greenhouse locations. Each participant who has three validations stamped on their brochure by December 15, 2008 will receive a free copy of the beautiful Maumee Valley Growers Calendar.

She also mentioned that MVGA and The Urban Affairs Center are represented in the Toledo Choose Local business directory which is a directory of local independent businesses.

Minutes – Serenity Carr

Adjourn – 9:35 am

ADVISORY GROUP MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE 1ST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 8 AM AT UAC.
OUR NEXT MEETING IS TBD based on our membership Board voting results.