



MINUTES

Monthly MVG Meeting Thursday – April 8, 2010 8:00-9:30 AM TBG

- 2010 -

Board of Directors

Dick Bostdorff

(President)
(*Gov. Relations)
2010

Jeff Creque

(Business)
2011

Bill Dearing

(*Membership)
2010

Bob Dennis

(Business)
2010

Beth Fausey

(*Education)
(Membership)
2011

Diane Hill

(Treasurer)
(*Finance)
2009

Theresa Hoen

(Secretary)
(Marketing)
(Membership)
2011

Walt Krueger

(President Elect)
(Programs)
2011

Kirk Mizerek

(Finance)
(Programs)
2010

Neil Reid

(*Gov. Relations)
(Finance)
2011

Mike Shank

(Marketing)
2012

Wade Smith

(*Membership)
(Marketing)
2012

Tom Wardell

(*Marketing)
2009

Terms Expire End of Year
Indicated

(* Denotes Chairman)

Dick Bostdorff called the meeting to order at 8:10 am

Attendance: (26)

Joe Perlaky, Bill Dearing, Dick Bostdorff, Serenity Carr, Walt Krueger, Anne Schenk, Paula Ross, Beth Fausey, Wade Smith, Jeff Creque, Tony Keil, Jonathan Franz, Neil Reid, Jim Locke, Charles Krause, Bob Hornak, Jessica McClure, Frank Calzonetti, Diane Miller, Scott Leisner, Kirk Mizerek, Diane Hill, Theresa Hoen, Sister Grace Ellen, Sister Jeremias, & Jan Knape

Committee Reports:

Dick reported that volunteers are needed for committees. If anyone is interested in running for the Board, contact Dick.

Business – Walt

- Recycling- Jeff
Jeff reported that MVG is going to use Purpose Green for their recycling needs. If interested, contact Purpose Green.
- Energy- Kirk Mizerek
 - Kirk stated that the gas component consisted of 3 parts. However, the Columbia Gas component of the gas cost keeps going up and makes up 30-50%. It is set by PUCO. Mark and Kirk will be testifying in Columbus to try to keep the prices lower. The Columbia Gas component is made up of the base rate & rider. The PIP is 61%. If anyone has any questions, fax Kirk first, then call.
 - Sure Energy- A renewable energy company (wind, solar, geothermal) that develops and implements alternative energy solutions. They will write the grant on your behalf...at no charge. Contact is Shelia Seward 419-726-4315 sseward@sureenergy.us

Education – Beth Fausey

- OSU Extension newsletter is now online.
- The Education Committee has identified key speakers to line up for the 2nd half of 2010. There is no definite date yet for the Canada bus tour, but it will be known soon.
- Transition planning- There will be educational meetings soon.

- Paula reported that Mike Hamm, CS Mott Professor of Sustainable Agriculture at Michigan State University, will present on "Locally Integrated Food Systems: An Opportunity for Our Future" at the UT Medical Science Campus.

Finance – Diane Hill

- MVGA checkbook balance is \$23,169.07. Accounts receivable is \$7,265.60, for a total of \$30,434.67.

Government/Public Relations

- No report

Marketing - Tom Wardell

- Val Pak is finalized. The April mailing is next week. Growers will be invoiced.
- The Blade ad starts in 2 weeks.
- Buckeye Cablesystem ad starts next week.
- If anyone wants to advertise in the Expository, call Tom.
- BG Sentinel- MVG is signed up

Membership- Wade Smith

- Catalog is completed.
- MVG Membership kit is finalized and will be mailed next week.
- Thank you for those who participated in advertising sales.

Native Plants- Josh Miller

- Joe reported that there are 12 participants, 11 kits have been passed out.
- Jan Hunter will be the source for Native Plants.

Other-

- Lucas County Courthouse- MVG can put sign up along with flower donations.
- GM Pro Magazine photographers will be here to take cover shot photos.

Presentations

Title: **Innovation Enterprises 501C3** (charged to make investments and promote economic development in the region)

Presenter: Frank Calzonetti

For more information, contact:

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Title: **NW OH Greenhouse Industry Delegation Trip to Flanders, Belgium- February 23-28, 2010**

Presenters: Neil Reid, Frank Calzonetti, Paula Ross, Joe Perlaky, Beth Fausey, Wade Smith (Grower), Eric Timm (Grower), Jessica McClure (Grower)

Meeting Adjourned: 9:50

Minutes submitted by Serenity Carr,
Assistant Program Manager
Maumee Valley Growers

The next meeting is at Toledo Botanical Gardens
June 10th, 2010
8:00 am