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 **Washington County Master Gardener™ Association**

**Virtual Chapter Meeting**

**Tuesday, October 4th, 2022**

**Minutes**

**Meeting called to order**: by Karen Graham at 8.01pm

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| The chapter meeting followed the presentation by Dr. Tom Kaye, Executive Director, Institute For Applied Ecology: *From Seed to Shining Seed: How Restoring Diversity May Save Us All* |  |

Karen announced the **Master Gardeners of Note**: Elizabeth Price and Lisa Hansen, honored for the work of preparing the application for the Education Garden at PCC Rock Creek as a Conifer Reference Garden, by The American Conifer Society.

**Reports to Members:**

* Karen referred members to the October *Chapter Chat* to read an article written by Larina Hoffman about Indigenous Peoples and Indigenous People’s Day.
* Members are reminded to promptly report volunteer hours as Metro Master Gardeners. The hours are reported for October 1st, 2021 to September 30th, 2022. Members are also reminded to complete the Docu Sign forms recently sent.
* Through the winter season, chapter meetings will continue to be virtual.
* The October 1st Washington County Extension Open House was well-attended showing a high level of interest from the public. Activities included “Spidermania”.
* Terry Wagner is thanked for organizing the *Intern Soiree*, on September 24th
* The PCC Rock Creek Farm is giving tours on October 5th, at 12 p.m. Sue Ryburn is the contact.
* Reminders to use fund-raising activities: Renee’s Seeds, Amazon Smile and Bottle Drop. The blue bags are available at Extension Office.
* Members are encouraged to join, post photos, and share other information, using the *Member’s Only Facebook* *Page*.
* A link was provided for the OMGA newsletter, with reference to an article regarding Extension finances, the work with the Oregon Legislature to gain more financial support, and upcoming letter writing campaigns.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm**

**Upcoming:** October 14, 9 am Board Meeting, Extension Office

 November 1st, 7 pm Chapter Meeting: *How to make your community pollinator friendly*

**Respectfully submitted by: Mary Hewitt, Recording Secretary**

**Approved by:** **Karen Graham, WCMGA Chapter President (**date)