

Minutes
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association, Inc.
Old Mill Restaurant, Westminster, Massachusetts
December 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Martin at 1:10 PM. Individuals present were Wes Autio, Bill Broderick, Frank Carlson, David Chandler, Ben Clark, Jon Clements, Bob Davis, Joann Dinardo, Kip Graham, Duane Greene, Pat Kriksceonaitis, Andrew Martin, Ken Nicewicz, Mark Parlee, Al Rose, and Mark Tuttle. Martin gave words of welcome.

Secretary's Report

Minutes of the March 21, 2013, directors' meeting were presented, moved, seconded, and passed unanimously. Autio also reported that the Association has 88 active, 58 associate, 13 courtesy, and 4 life members for a total of 163 members for 2013.

Treasurer's Report

The General Fund began the year with a balance of \$48,555.35. Receipts as of December 6 totaled \$32,266.33, and disbursements totaled \$28,627.42. The balance on December 6 was \$52,194.26. The Horticultural Research Fund began the year with a balance of \$328,653.29. A total of \$300.32 in receipts occurred by December 6, and nothing was expended. The balance in the Horticultural Research Fund on December 6 was \$383,673.20. As of December 6, the Horticultural Research Fund gained 16.7% in value for 2013. The Treasurer's Report was moved, seconded and passed unanimously.

Reports

Legislative (Carlson), Harvest Labor (Carlson), Marketing (Nicewicz), the Trustees of the UMass Cold Spring Orchard (Greene), NEVFC Program (Greene), Prokopy Endowment (Nicewicz), and FSA (Graham) gave brief reports.

New Business

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by
Wesley R. Autio, *Secretary*