

Memphis Area Master Gardener Member Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 13, 2026

Call to Order 6:00 PM

President Rick Clayton called the Thursday, August 13, 2026, meeting to order. The meeting was conducted in person at the Agricenter.

Speaker

Vice President Jan Dickey introduced Kyle McClain, Manager of Grounds Horticulture at Dixon Gallery and Gardens who spoke about "Soil and Soil Mixes".

Business Meeting:

Approval of the June 11 and July 9, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Membership approved the minutes of the June and July member meetings as published.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Cindy Smith, presented the July financial report which will be published on the website.

Extension Report and Remarks

Jessica Maestas reported that each member of the MAMG Intern class of 2027 has been notified of their acceptance. There are 50 interns in the class.

She reminded members of several sign-up sheets for the 2026 Intern Graduation, the MAMG Picnic in October, and numerous opportunities to volunteer at the Delta Fair in September.

Announcements

Linda Pittman expressed thanks to the MAMG Intern interview teams who processed and interviewed over 100 applications. She reported that there is a new format for mentoring interns.

She also reminded members that 2026 interns' families, mentors, past MAMG presidents, and the Executive Board are invited to graduation on August 20, 2026.

Gail Karr, Zoo Crew chair, asked members to consider volunteering on Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday. She is employed at the zoo and can accommodate volunteers for other shifts as well.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Paula Pilgrim, Recording Secretary