



MGSOC General Meeting, Telly's Greenhouse & Garden Center: 05-12-2026

Business Meeting:

President Craig Smith called the meeting to order at 6:35pm and welcomed everyone.

President's Report (Craig Smith):

- Craig noted MGSOC will be having a **May 24, 2026** work day at Hana's Garden, 2795 Seymour Road, Oxford 48371. MGSOC has partnered with Telly's Greenhouse to help refresh the Garden which was dedicated in 2021 to commemorate the four Oxford high school students who were shot. Please come out and help if you're available.
- We have additional cookbooks available for \$25 purchase. It is a reprint of the original edition from many years ago.

Vice-President's Report (Sally Bolle): Sally reminded members that Bowers Farm plant sale is June 6 from 10:00-14:00. The last day to order online is 5-28-26. Bowers Farm will be hosting the **Dave Bennett Swing and Rock at the Farm, Thursday, June 4:** <https://www.schoolfarm.org/current-events/music-concert-dave-bennett>

Treasurer's Report (Dianah Foster): Dianah presented the Treasurer's report. The final 2026 conference report should be available by the end of June - early July. Contact Dianah directly if you have specific questions.

Secretary's Report (Steve Smith): Nothing to report.

Educational Conference (Betty Peters): We sold 280 tickets. Final expenses and the evaluations are still coming in. The committee will be having a wrap up dinner sometime in June to finalize their 2026 report. Next year's conference is scheduled for April 24, 2027 and most likely will be held at the same place, Oakland University. If you are in need of other conference information, please contact Betty Peters at betty@peters-inc.com

Membership (Julie Bird): No report

Hospitality (Kathy Sobanski): Sign up sheet is being passed around. As always, please remember to email Kathy SobanskiK@yahoo.com if you are bringing food to our meeting.

Corresponding Secretary (Cecily Roney): No report

Bowers Farm (Nancy Schmid): No report

Merchandise (Denise Brown): No report

Door Prizes & Raffles (Janie Grissom): No report.

MSU Extension Report (Melanie Fuhrmann): No report. Melanie's contact info: furhma19@msu.edu Sherry Riedel's contact info: riedels2@msu.edu

Meeting ended at 6:45p

PRESENTATION: Craig Smith introduced George Papadelis who spoke on "New Annuals and Perennials for 2026"

WELCOME NEW and RENEWING MEMBERS:



Debby Berich, Nicole Burguess, Barb Gore, Eric Kozlowski, Ann Quail



Fran Tatarelli, Denise Toth-Reinnelt

We are 84 members strong!!

IMPORTANT DATE REMINDERS, MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

- May 24, 2026: MGSOC Workday at Hana's Garden, Oxford
- June 6, 2026: Pick up Native Plants at Bowers Farm
- July 17 & 18, 2026: Master Gardener Garage Sale at Telly's Greenhouse, Troy
- August 13, 2026: MSUE EMG Banquet at Glen Oaks, Bloomfield

Submitted, Steve Smith, MGSOC Secretary