

Highlights of the GLC Board Meeting Video Conference July 14, 2020

Attending: Irene Eiseman, Phyllis Higman, Carolyn Miller, Derek Shiels

1. It was acknowledged that the impact of Covid-19 virus has limited the ability of the Board to plan events for the near term. It was hoped that more opportunity would be available in the fall.
2. Google Groups Listserv – It would be nice to see more participation in the listserv. Relevant topics such as DNR updates would be welcomed. [<Is there something more to add?>](#) An email reminder on how to join the listserv as well as a list of topics to include would also be useful. Action Derek
3. Webinar – Southwestern Chapter inquired about MBC posting more Webinar videos to the membership. This would be a good option to consider for the GLC Listserv. Action: Irene/Derek to draft an announcement.
4. End of Year Newsletter 2020 – Phyllis has graciously agreed to continue as Editor of the Newsletter. A number of possible articles and contributors were discussed.
 - a. A botanical review of Mi plants by Nathan Martineau, Susan Fawcett, Robert Lieberman, or possibly Dana Richter. Action: Derek
 - b. Biography of the winning iNaturalist contestant. Action Derek
 - c. List of Herbaria of the Great Lakes Region (Name, location, weblinks) Action Irene and Phyllis

A review article on the Michigan Big Tree Program by Ted Reuschel. Action Irene

5. New Projects – Michigan Flora Photographs – The possibility of a collaboration between Michigan Flora Online & GLC members was discussed. The goal would be to update missing plant photos or enhance the current collection. Action Irene to follow up with Bev Walters
6. Officer and Director Terms **ERROR** – It was reported that current board positions will continue through 2021. However a post meeting review of the GLC Constitution has indicated that Officers' terms are for 2 years, while Director terms are for 3 years. Therefore the following terms will expire at the end of 2020. Nominations and reelections are required.
 - a. President 2019-2020
 - b. Vice President 2019-2020
 - c. Secretary 2019-2020
 - d. Treasurer 2019-2020
7. MBC/GLC membership – There has been a decreased in overall MBC and GLC memberships this year, although a few new members have joined/renewed recently. Action Emily, to update the board on GLC membership status
8. MBC Officer Nominations for 2021 - President Dan Skean, Vice President Tony Reznicek, Secretary Carolyn Miller. Terms will begin January 2021 following elections in the fall.