

Alaska Pioneer Fruit Growers Association  
**Meeting Minutes**  
March 14, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.  
BP Energy Center, Anchorage, Alaska

A. 6:30 p.m. - Refreshments and Socialization

B. 7:00 p.m. – Call to Order

- Quorum of membership (more than 10%) present: About 32 of 127 paid 2019 members were present.
- All seven members of Board of Directors present: Mark Wolbers (President), Debbie Hinchey (Vice President), Gary Masog (Treasurer), Susan Miller (Secretary), Val Glooschenko (Director), Karen Leis (Director), and Mark Findlay (Director)

C. Approval of Minutes of February 14 Meeting. Minutes approved without objection (moved by Debbie Hinchey, seconded by Laurel Flynn).

D. Reports of Officers.

1. Treasurer’s Report – Gary Masog reported that our CD that expired at the end of February was increased to \$28,000 from savings and renewed for one year at a 2.25% interest rate. The income and expenses for February 2019 were:

Income

- Interest:	\$62.41
- Lifetime Dues (4)	\$640.00
- Other Member Dues:	<u>\$656.00</u>
Total Income:	\$1358.41

Expenses

- Alaska Tax/Fees	\$25.00
- Grafting Parafilm	\$55.56
- Honorarium for February Speaker:	\$50.00
- Food for January meeting:	\$49.81
- Grafting Workshop Rent	<u>\$200.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$380.37

January 2019 Balance Sheet

CD expiring 2-26-20 [2.25%]	\$28,000.00
CD expiring 12-27(Clark)[2.35%]	\$100,000.00
CD expiring 7-25 (Clark) [1.55%]	\$28,176.12
Savings Account	\$5,610.61
Checking Account	<u>\$2,737.48</u>
TOTAL:	\$164,524.21

Report approved without objection (moved by Debbie Hinchey, seconded by Karen Leis)

2. President's Report. Mark Wolbers.
  - Pruning Workshop - March 23 at 1:00 p.m. at Boyer's Greenhouse.
  - Grafting Workshop - April 13 at 1:00 p.m. at the Church of Love in Spenard.
  - Top working/pruning workshop – Ellen Vande Visse's, Palmer, May 4
  - Orchard Blossom Tour – Clark Orchard, June 1 at 1:00
  
3. Vice-President's Report – Debbie Hinchey.
  - **Membership.** Deadline has passed for email notification of future events.
  - **Plant Orders.** Our 2400 *Malus baccata* rootstock and several hundred *Selkirk* rootstock will ship from Washington on March 25 and probably arrive about a week later. Volunteers will help Debbie sort them by diameter, using a tool developed by Mark Findlay. If you signed up for some, Debbie will notify you by email when to pick them up at her house. This is the last bunch we will get from Lawyer Greenhouse, so they will never be this cheap again. Members should feel free to buy extra this year.

E. Old and New Business

**APFGA Website.** Mark Findlay explained how to get a password to allow access to the “members-only” section of the website. The website includes information about apple varieties that may help people choose the variety of scion wood to attach to their rootstock at April's grafting workshop – including the results of apple tasting events.

- F. Program. Debbie Hinchey presented a program on “Plant Propagation for Fruit Growers.” The methods discussed included growing seeds, cuttings, layering, air layering, trench layering, and stooling.

Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Susan Miller, Secretary  
March 16, 2019