

Arlington Garden Club Board Meeting minutes ...

February 7th, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Judy Ness at 10:04 am.

- Present:** Judy Ness/President, Barbara Lindberg/Treasurer, Jan Hawley/Vice President, Connie Gronning, Penny Hanson, Jack Lybyer, Joyce Lybyer, Sharon Dittenberger, Libby Adams, Dorothy Johnson, Merle Green, Sherri McCarthy, Judy Headrick, Mike Conner, Cheri Hansen, Nancy Yonker, Georgia Johnson, Chris Nielsen, Irina Hensler/Secretary
- Absent:** Marilyn Enright, Rosalie Johansen, Karen Ricketts, Laura Lane
- Minutes:** January meeting minutes are accepted as presented.
- Financial Report:** Barbara presented the financial report. It was accepted as presented.
- Presidents Comments:** Flower arranging and judging will restart in February and flower arrangements have to be on the table by 11:15am.
- Committee Reports:**
- Trustees – Nominating committee:* Dorothy Johnson will take the Publicity chair position. Historian chair is an open position. Judy had difficulty scanning documents. Chris Nielsen will be the new Secretary.
- Communications:* Jan Hawley expressed gratitude to Penny for doing well with newsletters.
- By Laws and Standing Rules:* *Sherri, Jan and Kathy changed the format of the By Laws to run with numbers and organized them. There were suggestions to correct some wording. Sherri will bring it to the committee's attention.
*Jack moved to accept the By Laws and Standing Rules, Connie seconded. The board accepted.
- Programs:* *Cheri gave a brief report on the pine cone bird feeder making activity at Karen's. The project went well.
*The February speaker topic promises to be interesting as she is going to reveal some behind the scene tips of preserving the flowers and making jewelry out of them and selling at the Pike Place Market.
*Connie knows someone who wants to be a speaker at our meeting and will pass contact information to Cheri.
- Activities:* *Karen is working on the tour to Gomer Thomas's raspberry farm.
*Judy Ness has an idea to go to the Evergreen Arboretum as they have remodeled the place.
- WAM:* Nancy announced there will be items on the sign-in table to take for free after the meeting.
- Plant Sale:* *The plant sale is scheduled for May 12th from 9:30am to 1:00pm. We have received the permit. Carol Jacques will coordinate hanging baskets, planting and storing. Penny will be a coordinator for labeling.
*Merle will clean up gallon pots and bring to the meeting.
*There was a discussion on the leftover plants. The idea is to give them to the Arboretum, John Marsh may be able to help set that up.
- Future projects:* *Mike reported the shed is in place. Kai and Mike installed four shelves. There is a combination lock on the shed, and the gate.

*We did not get the grant for the Oso memorial bench project. There are still donation offers we can take advantage of, but no definite potting soil donation offer yet.

Community Service:

Mayor's garden: It has been cleaned up and 15 primroses have been planted.

Stanwood Elementary School: The date is set for May 9th at 2pm.

Community Senior outreach: Carol reported that Kitty and Sandy had everything ready when they arrived to work with the residents making silk flower arrangements. Afterwards they went outdoors to hang pine cone bird feeders. The residents enjoyed the activities.

Tree planting: Mike will purchase a weeping cedar to replace the one that died behind the Post Office.

New business: *Mike talked to the City of Arlington about planting a tree in memory of Doris Markham. The City does not agree with the idea of dogwood. There was a discussion on the type of tree and the location. No decision was made. The marker for the tree costs \$95 which is within the \$405 donated for Doris's tree.
*Judy Ness presented Cheri with a Paperbush shrub to plant in memory of Cheri's mother.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27am.

Respectfully submitted by Irina Hensler, Secretary.