

Long Island Master Gardeners

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting November 15, 2017

Meeting was called to order by Secretary Mary-Jo Re at 11:15am.

Attendees: Lorraine Leacock, Guy D'Angelo, Nancy Lynch, Kathy VanDyke, Laura Lilawski, Helen Liedel, Mary-Jo Re, Bob VanDyke (guest).

1. Officers for 2018

President: Bob VanDyke

Vice President: Lucille Hoell

Treasurer: Lorraine Leacock

Secretary: Mary-Jo Re /Eileen Taborsky (Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr)

Members-at-large: Nancy Lynch, Barbara Renner, Guy D'Angelo, Nora Rooney, Kathy VanDyke, JoAnn Millard will be the sixth member-at-large unless she chooses not to.

Webmaster/Membership (appointed) Peter Herron

The Board voted unanimously to accept the 2018 board as presented.

2. Treasurer's Report:

Lorraine handed out the 2017 Annual Report with a few minor changes. Balance for 2017 is \$6,918.24.

Discussion under Treasure:

* Cost of computer services for 2018 needs to be approximated.

* Only three members paid their 2018 dues today. Need to pay dues must be mentioned again to the group via email.

* Lorraine made the annual \$300.00 donation on behalf of the LIMG to the Holtsville Ecology Center for the support of their wildlife

* Lorraine mentioned that no one had signed a contract for the use of the room for 2018 at the Ecology Center.

* Lorraine Leacock and Bob VanDyke will go to the bank to get his name and signature on the account.

* Call for an Audit Committee (one board member and two non-board members) to review the financial statements for 2016-2017. It will be done in January after the board meeting and takes about 30 minutes.

Three volunteers are needed.

3. **Amplification System:** A suggestion was made that we need an amplification system at meetings. Kathy VanDyke agreed to do the research with a techy friend of hers. The Board voted to have Kathy buy the system based on the tech's recommendations with a limit of \$200.00.

4. **Golden Trowel Award:** Three nominations were made for the same persons. The Board voted to approve the nomination for the Golden Trowel Award. Nancy Lynch will paint the trowel and make arrangements for the Award Plaque to be updated with the latest names. The award will be presented to the winner at the January 2018 meeting. In addition Nancy will have the LIMG President's Plaque updated.

5. **Hospitality:** Helen Liedel gave the key to the LIMG supply closet to Bob VanDyke.
6. **Program:** presenter for November 15, 2017 was Kathleen Cleary who did a power point of her trip to the Galapagos Islands including their rich array of distinct animals, flora and fauna.
Lucille Hoell, who will be Vice President and program chair for 2018, distributed pads and pens so that each attendee could list interests for 2018 programs and trips.
Lucille added that she had “have-a-heart” squirrel and mouse traps that anyone can borrow as long as they hold on to the traps until another member needs them.
7. **Holiday Party:** Wednesday December 13, 2018. Come at 11:00 to help set up. Party begins at 11:30 and runs till 3:30pm. Plans include lunch, BINGO raffles, a musician, and a craft. As usual the party will be at Guy D’Angelo’s United Methodist Church in East Moriches. Bob VanDyke has a list of the foods to be brought to the luncheon.
8. **LIMG Logo clothing** is still available: tank tops, t-shirts, button down golf shirts, crew neck sweatshirts, and hooded and zippered sweatshirts. Prices run from \$15 to \$35. Contact JoAnn Millard if you need to buy one for yourself or a present for someone else.
9. **Plant Sale May 2018:** Laura Lilawski needs volunteers to help with the spring Plant Sale since she will be away during the winter. She needed Pete Herron to put out a call for volunteers in February. She needs people to come in early to the May meeting to sort and price plants for sale.
10. **Island Harvest:** Eileen and Bob Taborsky collected and drove the donations to Island Harvest today.

Motion to adjourn was made by Guy D’Angelo. Meeting was adjourned at 11:45am.