

Minutes of the November 16, 2016 LIMG Executive Board Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 11:05am by president JoAnn Millard

Present: Nancy Lynch, Laura Lilawski, JoAnn Millard, Mary-Jo Re, Guy D'Angelo, Pete Herron, Barbara Renner, Lorraine Leacock, Helen Liedel, Andrea Quinn, Ed Quinn

1. Executive Board Communication: When the members of the executive board receive the minutes via email please read immediately and "Reply to All." After one week the minutes will be accepted as corrected, even if not all board members have responded.

Minutes of October 19, 2016 were approved unanimously.

In addition if anyone on the board receives a letter/email that needs to be addressed by the board, please send the letter to the board members and then each board member needs to comment or at least acknowledge that he/she has read it, and then "reply to all" about the letter. Letters to the board cannot just be disregarded.

2. Logo shirts and sweatshirts: JoAnn requested that \$1,000.00 be set aside to cover the costs of the logo items. Many shirts were preordered and paid for, the rest will be on sale at the Holiday Luncheon in December. The board voted unanimously to set aside the \$1000.
3. Treasurer: Current balance is \$7,198.21.

A donation to the Holbrook Ecology Center will be made for the animal winter feed. The amount is \$300.00.

Website and domain name bills, \$355.20 and \$128.96 respectively, will be paid in January 2017. The board chose the two year time period.

October Raffle: \$156.00; November Raffle: \$80.00. Helen Leidel takes care of the raffles at meetings.

4. Membership: Pete Herron gets the 2017 membership applications for new and renewing members; Lorraine Leacock gets the checks. They work together to make sure our membership is accounted for and growing. Any new member who pays in October through December 2016 will have their dues credited to 2017.

5. Holiday Party

-When: Wednesday December 14, 2016

-Where: United Methodist Church in East Moriches

-Time: 11:00 am Set Up

12:00 to 3:00pm Lunch, Tote bag painting and logo shirt sale.

-Food: Laura Lilawski will be taking calls about what each attendee is bringing for the luncheon. She will make sure we don't have six dishes the same.

-Raffles: Each table will have a poinsettia centerpiece which will be raffled off to someone at the table. In addition, there will be three baskets to be raffled off. The budget for the three baskets will be limited to \$150.00.

-Bag painting: Kathy VanDyke has bags left from our summer picnic. Members will have an opportunity to paint a winter bag (hollies, birds) during the luncheon.

-Logo shirts that have been ordered will be ready at the Christmas party. Additional shirts will be available for anyone who wishes to purchase shirts at the party. JoAnn Millard is taking care of the shirts.

-Cornell 2017 Calendars (Pollinators) will be available for \$5.00 at the party. Lorraine will be selling the calendars.

-Music: holiday music will be set up by Lorraine Leacock for the listening pleasure of the members and their guests at the party.

6. Parking Fees: In an attempt to collect more money Brookhaven township is imposing parking fees at the Holtsville Ecology Center. Brookhaven residents may purchase a parking sticker for \$10.00 a year. Non-resident members will need to pay a fee to park of \$5.00. Non-resident members should also check with a board member for additional information about parking. The parking fees will be charged from April to November.
7. Plant Sale is set for May 2017. At that meeting Barbara Renner will be arranging for members to present instead of a regular speaker. Members presenting was done in May 2016 and was well received by the people in attendance.
8. Member Presenters: based on information culled from the membership applications, other members may be approached to present during the year. The group has many talented members who may be willing to share their expertise with the group.
9. Executive Board: It was determined that all board members will continue for 2017 Eileen Taborsky will substitute for secretary Mary-Jo Re for January, February, March and April 2017. Thank you, Eileen.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05pm.

Respectively submitted,

Mary-Jo Re