

Vashon Maury Island Garden Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2017

PRESIDENT Lynn Buscaglia called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Abbreviated minutes from 4/10/17 were read by Secretary Joan Costa and approved by the membership without corrections.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Lisa Lucke reported current club balance as \$14, 448.50.

Friendship Plants were won by Lisa Lucke and Nancy Kappelman.

New members and Guests: Hospitality JR Crawford introduced Legacy members attending, including Legacy members Ellen Trout (Past Secretary), Pat Highet (Past President), Laura Goth (Past Plant Sale Chair), Dorothy Johnson, Christel Stierle, Joanne Lombardi, Kathleen Odekirk, and Arlene Schade who were attending this special membership meeting.

Committee Reports:

Plant Sale: Plant Sale Chairs Martha Gebbard, Martha Keenan, and Joan Costa reported results of successful May sale, with a sale debrief scheduled for later in June. All members who participated were thanked, with special thanks to leads Karen Dale, Trudie Rosemarin, Lucy Harter, and David Husch. Special thanks to Berdie Krimmel who ran the refreshment area, Anna Martinsen, who ran the Boutique (which brought in \$1000.00). Revenues brought in were right under \$9,000.00. Lynn announced that co-chairs will be doing it again next year.

Website: Publicity Chair Debi Richards announced the website has been updated and made more workable by member Micole McCarthy. Special thanks to work provided by Hooper Havekotte and Patty Hieb for all their efforts also. Micole present and available to demonstrate online changes and functions to members today.

Open Gardens: Jane Rosen reported over 35 people attended Peggy Queary's Open Garden in Dockton last week. Jane provided a schedule of Open Gardens taking place through the summer months, with shoutouts being sent out the week of each Open Garden.

Scholarships: Peggy Queary gave detailed profiles on each of the scholarship recipients, Jessie Herald (University of WA) and Juliana Rice (University of Utah). Each recipient received \$2000.00. Peggy also went over the costs of tuition at Washington universities.

Budget: Chair Karen Baer reported on budget for club year 2017-2018, which was determined at annual Budget Committee meeting. Karen went over each of the line items in the budget, including income from dues plant sale, and general fund expenses. Budget had been approved by the Board. Budget will be printed and available in the new Directory and published on the website in member only section. Karen thanked each of the committee members for their work: Lisa Lucke, Linda Stemer, Janet Quimby, and Lynn Buscaglia. Lynn opened for discussion, which included talk on funding for Mukai Gardens, with funding (\$2000) inline with our Mission Statement. Motion to approved and seconded. Budget passed with one opposed and none abstaining.

Strawberry Festival: Lisa Lucke reported member Jan Bussert volunteered to organize and lead Drill Team again, with float also being available. Discussion held with member feedback, with decision to take a "gap year". Motion seconded and passed, with one opposed.

Lynn Buscaglia recognized and thanked the individual Committee chairs and Board Members, who served current club year, with goodie bags awarded to each.

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Lynn explained the Board had come up with a special award for the member that had gone above and beyond expectations in their contribution to the club, and named the "Super Cricket Award". First award of this annual recognition went to member Jane Rosen, to resounding applause. Debra Teagarden then awarded a special "cricket" to outgoing President, Lynn Buscaglia, also to resounding applause. Lynn introduced new Secretary Dan Connelly and incoming President Linda Stemer. Gavel handed over to incoming President.

Horticulture: Nancy Kappelman provided handout which detailed gardens that can be visited in the Seattle area, with list being published on the website. Nancy also had the current garden "chore" list for the summer.

Business meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Costa