

NAPLES GARDEN CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
November 28, 2011

Attendance: Kathleen Hawryluk, Melinda Earle, Fifi MacMahon, Liz Chehayl, Arlette Bradley, Arlene Cluff, Lydia Galton, Candi Child, Beverly Metcalf, Margaret Blackburn, Sondra Quinn, Ann Westerfield.

President, Sondra Quinn, called the meeting to order. Comments and announcements followed.

The Consent Agenda was approved.

The electronically transmitted memorandum of understanding between the Naples Garden Club and the Naples Botanical Garden regarding the Naples Flower Show was approved.

Governance Committee Chair, Lydia Galton, requested that committee job descriptions be send to her by December 1. A strategic planning workshop is scheduled for December 2.

Arlette Bradley, Membership Chair, requested an extension for completion of provisional requirements be granted to Suzanne Donally and that Susie Yoder's status be changed from Active to Sustaining. Both requests received Board approval. Twelve candidates for provisional membership were presented to the Board and were approved: Martine Amundson, Jill Chamberlain, Diane Frisicaro, Carol Greenwood, Jewell Harris, Mary Beth Leytze, June Marcantonio, Sudie Minamyler, Marie Murphy, Sue Reynen, Denise Shields, and Pam Sutton. The new provisionals will be introduced to the membership at the February meeting.

The Financial Report was presented by Margaret Blackburn with an update on the ticket sales for the House and Garden Tour.

A check for \$25,000 will be presented to the Naples Botanical Garden at the December meeting. This fulfills our pledge to the Garden of \$100,000.

An additional check for \$2,172 will be presented to the Botanical Garden in December. This check represents memorial gifts given to the Naples Garden Club for our project, The Idea Garden, at the Botanical Garden.

We will prepay \$35,000 of our pledge to Florida Gulf Coast University in December.

House and Garden Tour Chair, Arlene Cluff, stated that the deadline for signing up for the Preview Tour will be the December membership meeting. The Board will discuss

any issues related to risk after the four houses on the tour are inspected by committee members.

Discussion regarding the Donation Request Policy was led by Fifi MacMahon. A donation of the book, Flower Arranging the American Way will be given to the Naples Orchid Society for the Silent Auction at their 50th Anniversary Celebration.

District IX requests were discussed. A recommendation was made to purchase an ad to support the FFG Convention . A motion was made and approved that we tell District IX, because of other commitments we are unable to host either the 2012 or 2013 Fall Meeting. Please check back with us.

The Committee List was updated. Future changes should be forwarded to Candi Child, Corresponding Secretary.

Beverly Metcalf presented to the Board the need to track our volunteer hours. The Board will begin this process.

Two websites helpful to board members were recommended: www.blueavacado.org and www.boardsource.org.

The Meeting was adjourned by President, Sondra Quinn at 11:10am.

Respectfully submitted:
Ann Westerfield
Recording Secretary