



VISION

Community-wide interest in horticulture, floral design and the environment

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Provide opportunities for sharing and learning about horticulture, floral design and the environment

In a congenial, supportive atmosphere

CORE VALUES

Teamwork, Creativity, Friendship, Education, Community Involvement

Board of Directors Under Event Tent at NBG Meeting Minutes March 29, 2021

Attendance

Present: Sally Lutz, Terry Aufranc, Carole Whittemore, Eliza Nevin, Dara Foundyller Mary Schmidek, Connie Willson, Gail Camalier, Melinda Earle, Polly Galliker, Sandy Lasch, Ellen Meister, Donna Lindberg, Raynelle Perkins, Linda LaRue Brown, Kathleen Hawryluk, Rose Hoepfner, Jane Ewy

Absent: Sudie Minamyler, Rose Hoepfner

Call to order: 9:31AM

Motion to Approve: Board Meeting Minutes from February 22, 2021 **Ellen Meister**
APPROVED

Presidents Report

Sally Lutz

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) 2021-2026

- The MOU was distributed to members prior to the meeting for perusal.
- An item of negotiation was the charge per hour for NBG services. Donna McGinnis could not determine the hourly fee so there will be no fee schedule per hour.
- Basic Changes
 - The Office and shed will be sole and exclusive use of NGC for five years beginning July 1, 2020 at no cost.

- NBG will no longer share cost of two major speakers.
- NBG will not be involved financially with any meeting or functions of the NGC with the exception of the Flower Show and related events.
- In consideration of NBG gift of facilities and services, NGC will continue to make the NBG a philanthropic priority without the Grant Review process. The issuance of grant or grant amount is not guaranteed per year.
- The Financial Addendum (page 7) **will be reviewed yearly**. Discussion ensued regarding the fees to be paid to NBG which include:
 - Major Educational Events - \$1,000 per event
 - Naples H> - \$8,000
 - Direct Expenses for NGC Activities e.g. rentals, signage, supplies, security – not to exceed \$5,000 per year
 - Financial Arrangement for the Naples Flower Show for expenses to be split with the NGC \$20,000
 - Two Additions to the *Financial Addendum* were recommended for clarification:

1. Sandy Lasch made the motion that the *Addendum* under **Financial Arrangements for the Naples Flower Show** read: *Naples Garden Club and Naples Botanical Garden produce the Naples Flower Show in partnership, using this financial formula. Revenues and expenses will be split 50/50.* Seconded by Linda LaRue Brown

Motion Approved

2. Polly Galliker made a motion that the Addendum under **Fees Paid to the Garden: Naples House & Garden Tour** be rewritten as **Naples Traditional House and Garden Tour** Seconded by Terry AuFranc

Motion Approved

Linda LaRue Brown made the motion that the MOU be accepted with the included above two motions. Seconded by Sandy Lasch

Motion Approved

Treasurer Report **Eliza Nevins**

The Naples Garden Club 2021-2022 Budget Draft had been distributed to members to review.

- The brunt of the pandemic will be felt in the year following.
- We will grant the NBG \$35,000 for this fiscal year. Check has been cut. Sally to present to Donna McGinnis.
- NBG expenses can be added to their budgeted Grants Expense.
- \$250 gift was received in honor of Connie Fuller. Thank you to be sent.
- Send receipts to Eliza. Final date for expenses May 20, 2021

Budget 2021-2022 Approved

Eliza Nevins presented a *Resolution to authorize the following officers to sign NGC checks beginning June 3, 2021:*

Sally Lutz, President

Jane Ewy, Secretary

Ruth Murphy aka Dara Foundyller, Treasurer

Rose Hoepner, Asst Treasurer.

Resolution Approved

Membership

Donna Lindberg

- A successful Provisional Orientation took place via Zoom with seven Board Members presenting and all 25 Provisionals attending. Time was one hour and 15 minutes as opposed to the in person usual three hours that included coffee breaks, etc. Member face-to-face interactions were missed as was the Provisional/Sponsor gathering.
- Hoping to plan a fall/early winter in person Provisional/Sponsor gathering.
- Member Dues
 - 172 members have paid to date. There are no resignations so far.
 - A first late fee notice will be sent April 15th with late fee of \$25.
 - A second letter for those still not paying will be sent May 15th notifying if dues not paid by June 1 member is considered resigned.

Governance

Kathleen Hawryluk

Kathleen made the motion to approve the appointment of Rose Hoepner as the Treasurer Elect effective June 1, 2021.

Motion Approved

New Business

Motion was made by Polly Galliker to authorize the current slate of Board Officers. Resolution is effective June 3, 2021

Approved

Idea Garden

Sandy Lasch

- IG is receiving many kudos regarding its presentation.
- The removal of the diseased Lychee tree has left an open space where we hope to create something special.

The upcoming *Message from the President*

Sally Lutz

- Announce the grant to the NBG from NGC and include the “Matching” grant monies as well
- Members send information and photos to Sandy Lasch.

- Announce next year's Board of Officers. Explain the "pause year" and member rollover.
- Continue "Pay" button for member dues. **If questions, members can text Dara Foundyller (send wording to Sally).**

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Mary Schmidek

- Work is ongoing to "tweak" an experience for next year
- They are looking for great gardens to showcase and not homes. Members are to contact Mary and Gail with recommendations.
- Gardens for viewing may leave the former old Naples area and include neighborhoods such as Park Shore.
- A garden on Pine Ridge and Goodlette Frank was recommended.

Plants available

Linda LaRue Brown

A neighbor of Linda LaRue Brown, Ed Petras, was the first CEO of the Naples Botanical Garden. He is moving and his home will be bulldozed. He has a large collection of plants and terra cotta pots available to gardeners until April 15th. Linda will communicate a date when members can come to view and take collections.

Sally thanked the Board for their hard work and patience this year!

Meeting Adjourned: 11:01 AM

Respectfully Submitted

Jane Ewy, Secretary

**Naples Garden Club Board Meeting
@NBG
03/29/2021
Consent Agenda**

Main Accomplishments Since Last Board Meeting*	Top Priorities Next 30 Days*
President Sally Lutz	
President-Elect Terry Aufranc	
V.P. Program & Education Carole Whittemore	
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V.P. House & Garden Tour Mary Schmidek	
V.P. Flower Show Terry Aufranc (returning)	
Secretary Jane Ewy	
Treasurer Eliza Nevin	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most figures are conservative estimate • We have \$22,000 to spend from a grant this year • The IG is heavy due to water feature • We expect to bring in \$197,666 and spend \$197,120 	Approval of proposed budget for 21/22

Assistant Treasurer Dara Foundyller	
Governance Chair Kathleen Hawryluk	
VP Elect Program & Education Connie Willson	
VP Elect House & Garden Tour TBA	
VP Elect Flower Show Melinda Earle (returning)	
VP Elect Flower Show Polly Galliker (2022)	
Communications Chair Sandy Lasch	
Facilities & Operations Chair Ellen Meister	
Hospitality Chair Raynelle Perkins	
Idea Garden Chair Sudie Minamyer	

Membership Chair Donna Lindberg	
<p>Planning Virtual Provisional Orientation Meeting for March 23rd at 9:30 AM</p> <p>Prepared Provisional Tote bags and scheduled pick up of them so that all would have materials before the Orientation</p> <p>Communication with Membership Committee Members</p> <p>Dues</p>	<p>Update Board on dues received and process after April 15th.</p> <p>Prepare letters to send to members who have not paid their dues to be sent on April 15th with a \$25 late fee and then prepare another letter to be sent on May 15th with \$25 late fee and letting recipients of this letter know if we do not receive their dues by June 1st they will be considered resigned. Make phone calls to late payees as needed</p> <p>* Update Board on dues payments to date.</p>
Past President's Council Rep Linda LaRue Brown	