

## Minutes of the Naples Garden Club Board of Directors Meeting January 5, 2018

### **Attendance:**

*Present:* President Sudie Minamyer, Janet Donald, Gail Duke, Susie Gascoigne, Sharon Hildebrandt, Ann Howat, Sandy Lasch, Saally Lutz, Eliza Nevin, Raynelle Perkins, Mary Pulick, Abbie Sladick, Patti Taylor, and Catherine Ware

*Excused:* Arlette Bradley, Pat Fosberg, Diane Frisicaro and Sondra Quinn

*Guest:* Linda Brown

**Call to Order:** *President Minamyer* called the meeting to order at 9:31am

***Gail Duke* moved to approve the January 5th Consent Agenda:**

***Approved***

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

#### **Welcome:**

President *Minamyer* welcomed the Board and thanked all members who had worked over the holiday on club business. *Sudie* asked who would like to speak at the general meeting on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Members responding positively were: *Susie Gascoigne, Sally Lutz, Judy Spann* and *Sondra Quinn*. *Ann Howat* will give *Sudie* her information to help shorten time spent on reports at the meeting.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Treasurer, *Janet Donald*, presented the Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Activities for the months of September, October and November.

The money in the treasury is getting close to \$250, 000, the limit suggested by our CPA firm. The decision of the Board was to refer the situation to the Finance Committee to prepare a recommendation for consideration by the Board at a future meeting.

**Grants** *Sandy Lasch*, Chair, reported that a Grants Committee was not recruited this year due to the fact that the Board voted to donate the 2017-28 grant money to Naples Botanical Garden. The Executive Committee will therefore consider how the funds returned by Providence House will be allocated and will bring a recommendation to the January 29<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

*President Minamyer* reported that Naples Garden Club has obtained permission from the Naples Botanical Garden to investigate building a

shed on their property to store our materials for the House & Garden Tour and the Flower Show. *Sudie* will form a committee consisting of Arlette Bradley, Liz Chehayl, Sally Lutz and Ellen Meister to work on the details and an estimation of the cost and create a proposal to be approved by the Board and presented to the Botanical Garden.

**Membership:** In the absence of the membership chair, *Diane Frisicaro*, ***Sudie* moved that the Board approve the requests of Zaneta D'Alexander, Toni Marucco and Roberta Barr to become Holdover Provisionals for the 2018-2019 class due to personal issues.**

***Motion passed:***

Board Ambassadors for the January 8, 2018 General Meeting are Sondra Quinn and Sharon Hildebrandt. Please wear your Board ribbon and arrive at 8:45am.

**House & Garden Tour: Ann Howat & Abbie Sladick**

*Ann* stated that training for all house hostesses will be completed in January. She circulated a sign-up sheet for Board members to volunteer to serve as house hostesses for the Preview Tour on Friday, February 2, 2018. *Abbie* announced that information on the raffle had been posted on Facebook and that members would receive a list of prizes on their chairs at the meeting Monday, January 8, 2018. She anticipates that 50% of our revenue would be from on-line sales.

**Flower Show:** *Sally Lutz*, Chair, reported that 2/3 of the design classes are filled and that she will provide a brief report at the General meeting on January 8, 2018.

**Idea Garden:**

*Linda Brown*, Idea Garden Chair, shared a Power Point presentation of the installation of the boulders, Irma the alligator and other plants in the Idea Garden as well as the Ideas a' la Cart program. *Linda* also displayed the new graphic for the Idea Garden. There was a presentation in December by *Sandy Lash* showing how to make holiday decorations with pinecones and succulents. In the future there will be an opportunity to volunteer for various planting experiences. Thirteen provisional and several members have already volunteered to help. *Julie Peterson* will present a program using succulents and shells on January 10, 2018. *Sudie* thanked *Linda* for her and the Idea Garden Committee's work on the Idea Garden.

**Programs:**

*Raynelle Perkins*, Chair, asked all members to contact her if they need a table for the General Meeting.

James Farmer will be the featured speaker for the General Meeting on January 8, 2018. There was an article about the program in the *Naples Daily News* including photos.

**Old Business:**

*Sandy Lash*, Governance Chair, reviewed both the Mission and the Vision Statements. *Catherine Ware* suggested wording which was discussed by the Board.

***Sandy* moved and *Susie Gascoigne* seconded the motion to approve the Vision, Mission and Core Values.:**

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

**Mission: Provide opportunities for sharing and learning about horticulture, floral design and the environment in a congenial, supportive atmosphere.**

**The Core Values: Teamwork, Creativity, Friendship, Education, Community Involvement (the core values are unchanged)**

***Motion passed with Sondra Quinn dissenting.***

***Sandy* moved that the Strategic Objectives portion of the Strategic Plan be adopted. *The motion passed unanimously.*** The Strategies will be reviewed by Catherine Ware, Sandy Lasch, and Sudie Minamyer and presented at the next meeting.

**Adjourn Meeting:**

President *Minamyer* adjourned the meeting at 10:50AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Duke, secretary

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