



# NAPLES GARDEN CLUB

*nurturing, growing & contributing*

## VISION

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

## MISSION

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 via Zoom Meeting Minutes May 25, 2021**

#### **Attendance**

**Present:** Sally Lutz, Terry Aufranc, Carole Whittemore, Mary Schmidek, Connie Willson, Gail Camalier, Melinda Earle, Polly Galliker, Sandy Lasch, Donna Lindberg, Raynelle Perkins, Sudie Minamyer, Linda LaRue Brown, Rose Hoepfner, Jane Ewy

**Absent:** Ellen Meister, Dara Foundyller, Kathleen Hawryluk

**Call to order:** 9:31 AM

**Motion to Approve:** Board Meeting Minutes from March 29, 2021. **Polly Galliker**

#### **APPROVED**

#### **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

**Sally Lutz**

#### **Eliza Nevin:**

- Sent to Board Members a balance sheet comparison year-to-date with last year. It shows only a \$15,000 decrease in our assets,
- Eliza's tenure as treasurer has completed but she will be consulted. The Board will acknowledge her hard work and financial expertise.

**Charitable Gift:** Beverly Jo Maher, The Maher Family Foundation, has gifted the NGC \$30,000 for 2021. The monies are to be directed \$10,000 toward the H&GT and \$20,000 for NGC General Meeting programs. We thank the Maher Family for their continued charitable support. The Secretary will send an acknowledgement to the family for their generosity.

**District IX:** Has a private Facebook account found by searching: District IX FFGC. To become a member click the **Join Group** button and you will be notified if your request to join is approved. Sally will add a link to the H&GT via this site.

**Finance/Dues Report:** Eleven members' dues are outstanding and they have received notification of the June 1 deadline. A full membership update of total membership, resignations, senior and sustaining members will be reported by Donna Lindberg at the October 25, 2021 NGC Board Meeting.

**FFGC:** The Judges are creating a new Guide to Flower Design. One can participate by sending in a personal design to be included in the Guide. If interested, contact Sally.

## House & Garden Tour

**Mary Schmidek with Gail  
Camalier**

An update of the 2022 H&GT was presented to the Board Members prior to the meeting. Discussion ensued with regard to the update. Highlights include:

- **Behind the Hedges** tour will be a unique concept this year (due to Covid-19 safety concerns) and will present private gardens and al fresco entertaining venues within the Old Naples area south to Port Royal. Five venues have been chosen. Looking for two more sites.
- Fewer guests will be accommodated due to logistics: 500 guests vs. former ~850.
- Hospitality, donors, sponsors, raffle (online), transportation and tote bags are underway.
- Ticket price remain the same with attendees \$150 and patrons \$275.
- Tour will be self guided driving tour in clusters of 2 to 3 sites with timed entry tickets.
- There will be a large parking area with looping trolleys among each cluster.
- A high quality light lunch will be offered in gifted insulated totes at the Trinity by-the-Cove Episcopal Church. The church is providing free air-conditioned multi-purpose room and restrooms free of charge.
- There will be no NGC member preview, however, a videographer is contracted and members and others will be able to view the venues on line. Members can also purchase tickets or work at the venues.
- Important that our membership and guests know that the inside of homes will NOT be on the tour this year.
- We will need to create a way to recognize the Naples Botanical Garden, **The Ultimate Garden in Naples** within the tour.
- The Board thanks Mary, Gail and their committee members for their hard work, inspired, original thinking for the unique, exciting tour offering for 2022. We are invested and will positively support this effort. Positivity breeds success!

**Motion to Approve:**

**Polly Galliker**

We accept the House & Garden Tour concept as defined today including fees charged attendees: \$150 guests, \$275 donors. We will review on or before October 1, 2021.

**APPROVED**

**Program/Education**

**Carole Whittemore**

- Five General Meeting programs are scheduled for 2021-22; two with member/guest workshops in January and March.
- Eleven Design topics, 6 Environment workshops and 7 Horticulture workshops schedule confirmed
- 2019-2020 presented a 40% decline in workshop attendance. With the current slate of workshops, we hope to increase numbers.
- Currently Inputting to NGC website all programs and workshops:
- Calendar will be open for viewing August 1
- Calendar active for sign-up September 1 for October, November, and December.

**Future Board Meetings:**

- A Zoom Meeting will be scheduled sometime before October 1.
- October 25, 2021 will be in person at the NGC Office

**Action Item: Members please bring forward to Mary or Gail possible garden/venues for the 2022 H&GT.**

**Meeting Adjourned: 11:05 AM**

Respectfully Submitted

Jane Ewy Secretary

**Naples Garden Club Board Meeting**

Via Zoom

05/25/2021

**Consent Agenda**

<b>Main Accomplishments Since Last Board Meeting*</b>	<b>Top Priorities Next 30 Days*</b>
<b>President</b> Sally Lutz	
<b>President-Elect</b> Terry Aufranc	
<b>V.P. Program &amp; Education</b> Carole Whittemore	
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<b>V.P. House &amp; Garden Tour</b> Mary Schmidek	
	Status update on the HGT
<b>V.P. Flower Show</b> Terry Aufranc (returning)	
<b>Secretary</b> Jane Ewy	
<b>Treasurer</b> Eliza Nevin	
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Family Foundation, but in large part due to each of your positive roles in managing this year effectively and joyfully. If you have any other questions, please let me know.	
<b>Assistant Treasurer</b> Dara Foundyller	
<b>Governance Chair</b> Kathleen Hawryluk	
<b>VP Elect Program &amp; Education</b> Connie Willson	
<b>VP Elect House &amp; Garden Tour</b> TBA	
<b>VP Elect Flower Show</b> Melinda Earle (returning)	
<b>VP Elect Flower Show</b> Polly Galliker (2022)	
<b>Communications Chair</b> Sandy Lasch	
<b>Facilities &amp; Operations Chair</b> Ellen Meister	
<b>Hospitality Chair</b> Raynelle Perkins	

<b>Idea Garden Chair</b> Sudie Minamyer	
<b>Membership Chair</b> Donna Lindberg	
<b>Past President's Council Rep</b> Linda LaRue Brown	
The Past President's Council met at the Fogg Cafe on May 13th.	