



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 Luncheon Meeting NGC Office Meeting Minutes October 25, 2021

Attendance

Present: Sally Lutz, Terry Aufranc, Carole Whittemore, Mary Schmidek, Dara Foundyller, Connie Willson, Melinda Earle, Polly Galliker, Kathleen Hawryluk, Sandy Lasch, Raynelle Perkins, Sudie Minamyler, Donna Lindberg, Linda LaRue Brown, Jane Ewy

Absent: Ellen Meister, Rose Hoepfner, Gail Camalier

Call to order: 9:32 AM

Motion to Approve: Board Meeting Minutes from September 14, 2021. **Linda LaRue Brown**

APPROVED

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Sally Lutz

The League Club gifted us their book, *Naples Tables a Celebration of Style, Food and Fun*. The book was placed in NGC Library.

Fifi MacMahon's husband, John Thomas (Tom) MacMahon passed away October 19.

Action Item: Condolences are to be sent by NGC.

The families of Pat Fosberg and Tom MacMahon have requested that memorial donations be made to Naples Garden Club. NGC will send a "Thank you " to the donor(s).

Action Item: Treasurer Dara to send to Secretary the names/addresses of Tribute

donors for “Thank you” from NGC. Dara to identify Tribute Fund and current amount.

Grant Recipient Returned Gift

Friends of Foster Children Forever returned our 2019 \$5,000 Grant money. This Charitable Organization no longer needed the funds for the designated grant and the monies are only to be used toward NGC Mission.

Received a \$300 donation from Lorraine Shapiro, Baltimore, for the Virtual H>. Sally sent a “Thank you”.

November 1, 2021 General Meeting

- NGC Board Members who wish to speak: Terry, Donna, Sudie, Kathleen, Mary, Carole (introduction of speaker)
- *Power Point* will be format for visual display at meetings. Send a PDF to Sally for input onto USB Memory Stick (**only one stick per meeting**)
- Jackie Malloy will continue the donation of a plant to be raffled at all General Meetings.
- **Action Item:** Donna & Carole: At the General Meetings everyone is to mask. At the Sign-in table(s) there is to be a stanchion sign that states, ***All Attendees will follow the CDC Standards and are required to wear masks at all indoor venues and are expected to be vaccinated.***

Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU)

A signup sheet was passed for Board Members, who wish to attend the November 12, 5:30 PM Orchid Exhibit: *Shape of Orchids: An Eternal Love Affair* at the FGCU Campus. The Grants Committee will also be invited.

Naples Botanical Garden

- Erin Wolfe-Bell continues as our NBG conduit. Please go through Sally first for projects and she will bring forth to Erin. Erin’s counterpart for the Idea Garden is Mike Brewer.
- NBG has a new logo, which was displayed to the Board. It is a modern artistic representation of 3 leaves with two circles representing people.

Collaborations Requests

- NGC has refrained from collaborations in the past and that continues. Some “out of club” projects or vendors” could be presented in *Trowel Prints* or the *President’s Message*.
- We have been invited to participate in *Artful Arrangements* hosted by the Naples Art District Feb 22-24, 2022. Participants would design floral arrangements attached to an art piece. **Action Item: Sally will alert members in the President’s Message.**
- NBG has partnered with clothing designer Naeem Khan and his Trunk Show November 10, 2021 from 2:30-6 PM at 111 10th Street STE 112, Naples, FL.

PRESIDENT ELECT

Terry Aufranc

- As Vice-President Terry is orchestrating the in-person District IX April 26, 2022 meeting in Buehler. Donna McGinnis will be the guest speaker after lunch. Volunteers will be needed as the date approaches.
- Strategic long-range plans for NGC are being reviewed and revamped with a select committee.

PROGRAM/EDUCATION

Carole Whittemore

- 116 members have signed up for the November 1 General Meeting. Number does not include guests. Registration will be closed at 5 PM Friday, October 29.
- Workshop sign-up is strong with several full and closed. There are 8 Environmental, 7 Horticulture and 10 Design scheduled workshops
- The November 5th Design Seminar is for Provisionals only. It is an important educational opportunity that features several of our Club's strong designers. The Provisionals will receive two credits for attendance.
- Carol showed a schematic of tables for the November 1 meeting and asked for other table needs. Response: Need a Directory/Yearbook table and Membership Table.
- Idea Garden visit after the General Meeting: Raynelle stated that six golf carts which hold six people each will be available. She is estimating 75 attendees will participate. The NBG will provide wine and a snack. **Action Item: Raynelle inform NBG of number estimates.**

HOUSE & GARDEN TOUR

Mary Schmidek

- This is the "Year of the Trolley"!
- Tour includes seven sites, which will be available either three hours in morning or 3 hours in afternoon.
- Participants will receive two gifts: picnic tote with food in insulated bag and garden tote with garden swag.
- We will be hosting half the number of guests this year. \$275 for Patrons on sale Nov 15. \$150 for all others. Members Tickets on sale Nov 22. General Admission on sale Dec 1.
- A member preview tour is not available. Club members will need to purchase tickets to attend. There will be many volunteer opportunities and members will be able to drive themselves to view the tour after their assignment. Those who purchase tickets will be able to trolley ride.

FLOWER SHOW

Terry Aufranc

- Polly and Terry are working on the schedule.
- Program (*Visions*) is being printed in new colors (pink/purples). Dates March 18-19, 2022
- The Flower Show Committee is huge. In order to meet during Covid, Terry has worked with NBG Erin to create a meeting venue under a temporary tent in the Plaza. Microphone will be available. First meeting is November 12, 2021.

SECRETARY

Jane Ewy

- Sympathy Condolences were sent to: Linda LaRue Brown for the death of her brother and Jack Fosberg and Family for the death of our esteemed member, Pat Fosberg

TREASURER

Dara Founyler

- As the new Treasurer, Dara is searching for PINN for our NGC phone and voicemail. Also all passwords need to be in one accessible place. *The Desk Book* binder in NGC needs to be updated.
Action Item: Terry and Dara to peruse *The Desk Book* for updating. Ellen Meister as Facilities/Operations Chair needs to be involved.

- Bold Solutions presented some conflicting information regarding our USPS PO Box and continuance of monitoring and random checks. Discussion ensued.

Post Meeting Note: Jess at Bolds Solutions plans to continue maintenance of PO Box. Will supply us with a key. Post Office that holds our box is Creekside (1130 Creekside Way, Naples) close to Jane Ewy who volunteered to monitor.

GOVERNANCE

Kathleen Hawryluk

- Nominating committee has met several times. We are searching for a VP H>. Many calls have been made.
- The By-laws are being reviewed and updated.

COMMUNICATIONS

Sandy Lasch

- *The Yearbook* will be available at the November 1 meeting.
- Sandy is the communications conduit to Bolds Solutions.
- From years of experience, Sandy is in favor of more frequent correspondence with less verbiage. Discussion ensued regarding *Trowel Prints* and the *President's Message* for most impact with members.
- Considering "Beat Reporters" to attend the workshops, take photos, interview attendees.
- Seeking to provide more information with "sound bites"
- Considering having an abbreviated *President's Message* within *Trowel Prints*.

HOSPITALITY

Raynelle Perkins

- All prices have escalated.
- The Holiday Luncheon venue will be December 16 at the Kensington Golf & Country Club of Naples at 2700 Pine Ridge Rd for \$45/member. Bar drinks are extra.
- The April 2022 Meeting will be at Windstar.
- The Preview Flower Show Party will be \$60/ticket via the Fogg Café. Bar drinks are extra.

IDEA GARDEN

Water Feature

Sudi Minamyler

- We are on the "home stretch" for the water feature.

- Received a *Thank you* from Naples Botanical Garden President, Donna McGinnis for NGC contribution of \$5,000 in support of the new Water Feature.
- Sandy Lasch is in charge of the horticulture.
- Octopus Arts (Rich Lewis) is the company contracting the project. They recently created a water feature at the Everglades Wonder Gardens in Bonita.
- Looking for members to create and assist with the Pop-up and Idea Cart Programs.
- In need of horticulture volunteers who will provide minimum of four hours per month.

MEMBERSHIP

Donna Lindberg

RESIGNATIONS FROM THE FOR FISCAL YEAR (June 1, 2020- May 31, 2021)

MOTION TO APPROVE:

Polly Galliker

- I move we accept with regret 11 resignations in good standing of members:
- Kris Morton
- Joan Miller
- Egle Pedini
- Wendy Watkins
- Edith Harvey
- Kelly Hutchinson
- Carol Bibee
- Judy Ringler
- Pamela Wiehl
- Penny Henderson
- Joyce Dowaitt Provisional

APPROVED

MOTION TO APPROVE:

Polly Galliker

I move we approve removal from our membership for non-payment of dues:

- Glenda Farlander
- Renee Sudler

APPROVED

MOTION TO APPROVE

Polly Galliker

I move we accept change of membership category for the following:

From Active to Sustainer

- Peggy Johnson
- Wendy Knauer

From Active to Senior

- Diane Dahl
- Carol Conant
- Dolly Ross
- Barbara Sill

From Sustainer to Senior

- Barbara Ricci
- Shirley Wigginton

APPROVED

MOTION TO APPROVE:

Polly Galliker

I move we accept the reinstatement of Robin Shear as an Active Member. (May 2021)

APPROVED

Membership Totals as of May 31, 2021 after all motions.

- 219 Active, 8 Sustainers, 11 Seniors, 2 Honorary, 24 Provisionals equals 264 Members
- Because this number is fluid, we actually are to date at 262 Members removing Eileen Lovering who resigned after dues paying and the death of Pat Fosberg.
- Donna passed around a sign-up sheet for Board Members to be greeters at NGC General Meetings. Arrival time 12:15 pm. Two Members needed per meeting.
- In separate slides, the New Actives (class 2019) and the current Provisionals will be introduced and acknowledged (by standing) at the November General Meeting
- Ann Hunter will be awarding the 20-year pins at the General Meeting on November 1.

The Membership Database Manager, Barbara Sampson, will be retiring the end of the fiscal year. She will help train the new manager when identified.

PAST PRESIDENTS COUNCIL CHAIR

Linda LaRue Brown

Sally Lutz and President Elect Terry Aufranc attended recent meeting. It was helpful to have them voice concerns.

HISTORIAN

Linda LaRue Brown

Linda has been NGC Historian for several years and wishes to retire from the Historical Binder work. The binder is kept in the Library. She will have the binder up to date within the last two years. Discussion followed that history can be found within the *President's Message* and *Trowel Prints*. Perhaps those publications contain the needed history?

Linda will continue to take photos at events.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:38 AM

Respectfully Submitted

Jane Ewy, Secretary

**Naples Garden Club
Luncheon Board Meeting
October 25, 2021
Consent Agenda**

Main Accomplishments Since Last Board Meeting*	Top Priorities Next 30 Days*
President Sally Lutz	
President-Elect Terry Aufranc	
Committee being formed to look at a Long Range Five Year Plan	
V.P. Program & Education Carole Whittemore	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Update on membership meetings and workshops ● Design Seminar November 1 ● Use of Kapnick and Buehler
V.P. House & Garden Tour Mary Schmidek	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in the past 30 days, the committees under the Administration Chairman and the Hospitality Chairman have been hard at work on their specific areas. • Chairmen of interrelated areas have been meeting together. • In the next 30 days, the committees under the Logistics Chairman will meet 	Request a FEW minutes to add HGT to agenda

<p>together.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be a presentation at the General Meeting and a gathering of all the Chairmen in November 	
<p>V.P. Flower Show Terry Aufranc</p>	
<p>Editing and changes being made to 2020 Schedule</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Meeting • Schedule Printed
<p>Secretary Jane Ewy</p>	
<p>Treasurer Dara Foundyller</p>	
<p>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PO Box for NGC - where and who manages • Passwords & Pins..who has them and where should they live • Local banking - should we research
<p>Assistent Treasurer Rosy Hoepner</p>	
	<p>Absent</p>
<p>Governance Chair Kathleen Hawryluk</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Nominating Committee has met recently and is working on getting a VP for House and Garden tour. • An ad hoc committee has been setup to review the 	

bylaws.	
VP Elect Program & Education Connie Willson	
VP Elect House & Garden Tour Gail Camalier	
VP Elect Flower Show Melinda Earle	
VP Elect Flower Show Polly Galliker (2022)	
Communications Chair Sandy Lasch	
Facilities & Operations Chair Ellen Meister	
	Absent
Hospitality Chair Raynelle Perkins	
	Need 8 minutes to discuss hospitality for the year.
Idea Garden Chair Sudie Minamyer	
Committee re-planted areas containing annuals which need to be replaced in the fall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare for November 1 meeting at the Idea Garden • Plant water feature and

<p>Committee worked with Octopus Arts and the Naples Botanical Garden to complete the water feature.</p>	<p>continue replanting Idea Garden</p>
<p align="center">Membership Chair Donna Lindberg</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisional correspondence • Plans for Provisional Welcome Back Party • Correspondence with Membership Committee planning for Nov 1st GM meeting • Review of provisional applications for Governance meeting • Correspondence with all inquiries received during our “Pause Year” • Reconciled membership list with Database manager sending recent changes in membership to FFGC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corresponding with provisionals bi weekly or as needed to make sure they are on target with Checklist • Explore possibilities for Database Manager as Barbara Sampson will end her commitment after 10 years • Governance Committee meetings <p>Board Agenda items ** ** Present resignations for the 20/21 Year to Board for approval vote **Present enrollment numbers for beginning of 21/22 year ** Board volunteers to help monthly with greeting (two needed each month)</p>
<p align="center">Past President’s Council Rep Linda LaRue Brown</p>	
<p>PPC met 10-18, Sally & Terry were invited, Helpful Hints for Incoming Presidents</p>	

