

**Naples Garden Club
General Membership Meeting
March 5, 2018
Buehler Auditorium
10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**

WELCOME

President, *Sudie Minamyer*, welcomed the members and guests. She called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

Raynelle Perkins, crowd control, reminded members that there were exits on both sides of the room.

Dusti Beaubien, chaplain, conveyed an inspiring message to the members emphasizing those things for which we give Thanks each day. She also led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President, *Minamyer*, thanked members who registered for the meeting on line and explained that on-line registration helps in planning for seating, refreshments and has the member benefit of being eligible for the cyber drawing. After several attempts, *Catherine Ware* was the lucky winner of the Cyber Drawing for a beautiful plant donated by *Jackie and Mike Malloy*.

BUSINESS MEETING/Committee Reports

Approval of the minutes: *Gail Duke*, secretary, moved that the minutes of the February 5, 2018 General Meeting be approved as posted on the website. Motion: *Passed*

President *Minamyer* thanked all who helped working behind the scenes to make the meeting a success. *Sudie* reminded members that the deadline for dues payment to *Eliza Nevein*, assistant treasurer, is April 15th. President *Minamyer* again mentioned that replacement directories would be available as members leave. She gave a special thank you to *Ann Howat* who is still basking in the glow of the outstanding House & Garden Tour. *Sudie* presented *Ann* with a beautiful basket of orchids in recognition of her service as chair of the House & Garden Tour.

Flower Show School – *Sondra Quinn* announced that Course 2 of the Flower Show School would be given on April 4, 5 and 6. Persons wishing to register may fill out registration contained in the orange brochure. The presenters and their topics are: *Marie Harrison* on April 4th – bromeliads and coleus and *Penny Decker* on April 5th – table settings and pedestals.

Educational Workshops and Trips – *Susie Gascoigne*, chair, stated that the year had gone really well and that March would be the final opportunity to attend a workshop:

March 9th a special event – an evening walk through Corkscrew Swamp with guests welcome – please sign up on line.

March 12th “Eat The Centerpiece” Floral Design using fruits and vegetables with *Melinda Earl*

March 15th Fakahatchee Swamp Walk

March 29th Legacy Trees of the NBG

Governance – *Sandy Lasch*, chair, thanked her committee for a job well done. She presented the following candidates for the Board of Directors for 2018-2019:

President Elect – *Kathleen Hawryluk*

Secretary – *Sharon Hildebrandt*

VP Programs – *Gail Duke*

VP Programs Elect – *Sally Lutz*

Flower Show Elect – *Terry Aufranc*

House & Garden Tour Elect – *Patti Taylor*

Idea Garden – *Linda Brown*

Communications – *Polly Galliker*

Governance Committee: Arlene Cluff, Renee Lewis, Raynelle Perkins, Barbara Sampson

Carol Greenwood(?) moved that the slate be accepted - **Passed**

Naples Flower Show – *Sally Lutz*, chair announced that all design categories were filled. *Sally* reviewed the logistics for the Show:

When volunteering, please wear your white top, black bottom, green apron and your nametag. Volunteers are to park in the Africa Garden and will be driven in golf carts to the event. When dropping off your design or horticulture, please see the map on the last page of your schedule. Botanical Arts, Photography, Member Challenge and horticulture will be in the tent. Designs will be in Kapnick Hall. The Preview Party will be on Thursday, March 22 at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$45 and drinks are \$8. *Catherine Ware* presented a “Recital for the Flower Show. Anyone who grows something must have it in their possession for 90 days prior to the show. Please fill out the entry card in pencil and be sure to underline the botanical name of the plant. The schedule for drop off is as follows: Horticulture: Wednesday, March 21st from 11:00am to 2:00pm, Designs and cut horticulture: Thursday, March 22nd from 8:00am to 10:30am. Judging will begin at noon. The

show is Friday, March 24th and Saturday, March 25th from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Dismantle and removal of all exhibits is at 5:00pm on Saturday.

President Minamy **adjourned the meeting at 11:50am.**

Program

Raynelle Perkins, program chair, introduced the speaker for today – Claudia Bates the President of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Duke
Secretary
March 18, 2018
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Attendance: 87 actives, 19 provisionals, 24 registered guests, 2 non-registered guests and 2 speaker = total 134