



NAPLES GARDEN CLUB
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**Naples Garden Club
Board of Directors Meeting
February 29, 2016**

Attendance: Roberta Ross, Sandy Lasch, Linda LaRue Brown, Mary Beth Johns, Mary Raymond, Renee Lewis, Pat McNamara, Janet Donald, Jean Lemmon, Sudie Minamyers, Kathleen Maier, Lydia Galton, Arlette Bradley, Raynelle Perkins, Arlene Cluff, Pat Fosberg, Beverly Metcalf, Jane Stone and Governance Committee members - Diane Frisicaro, Greer Underwood and Sharon Hildebrandt. Candi Childs was absent due to illness.

Jean Lemmon, Secretary, called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda: A Motion: to accept the Consent Agenda was made by Arlene Cluff and seconded by Pat Fosberg.

Treasurer, Pat McNamara stated the budget process is beginning; Committee Chairs will meet with Finance Chair and Chair Elect to review proposed expenses for next year. The Finance Committee will propose a policy change in which committee chairs are reimbursed for documented expenses rather than for paper and ink cartridge expenses.

Plan for utilization of the Lily Barret Brown paintings was presented. Six paintings have been selected for the office. Remaining paintings will be priced by Arlene Cluff and Raynelle Perkins and offered for sale to the membership prior to March GM meeting. All proceeds will be used to defray the cost to frame the paintings selected for the office.

Assistant Treasurer Janet Donald reviewed the recommendations of the Dues Committee including timing of the dues collection process, procedure for paying dues and incentives for members to pay dues early. She announced that a raffle will winner will be drawn from the members who paid their dues in March and some lucky winner will win a year of free dues!

Linda Brown, Governance Chair, presented the proposed slate of officers for 2016-2017. They are: President Elect, Sudie Minamyers, VP Fundraising Event Chair, Sharon Hildebrandt, Secretary, Gail Duke, Development Chair, Lydia Galton, Education Chair, Susie Gascoigne, Naples Flower Show Chair Elect, Sally Lutz, Fundraising Event Chair Elect, Ann Howat, Membership Chair, Diane Frisicaro, Program Chair, Greer Underwood and Past President's Council Representative, June Kroeschell. Proposed Governance Committee Members at Large are Gail Pica, Mary Pulick, Dusti Beaubien and Judy Spann. The proposed slate will be in the next Trowel Prints but is not official

until approved by the membership. Linda thanked members of the Governance and Nominating Committees for their work.

Linda reviewed the proposed Bylaws changes which were accepted by the Board and will be presented to the membership.

Linda reviewed the new Social Media Policy. A Motion to accept the Social Media Policy was made by Pat McNamara and seconded by Mary Raymond. The policy was unanimously approved by the Board and will be presented to the membership.

Fundraising Event Chair Mary Beth Johns thanked everyone for their contributions to the success of the H>. Comment cards were very positive. Final figures are not yet in but will be announced. Remaining totes will be offered to the membership and any others left over to Avalon School. Mary Beth received a well-deserved standing ovation.

Development Chair Kathleen Maier shared available data on the Raffle. Totals will be announced when complete. Kathleen anticipates a record for both ads and tickets sales.

Sandy Lasch, Grants Committee Chair, reviewed the 2016 Grant Recipients recommendations with a total funding of \$93,000 by NGC. Recipients are Camp Wekiva, Friends of Foster Care, FGCU, Habitat for Humanity, JFCS, Naples Botanical Garden, Naples Zoo and Youth Haven. These recommendations were unanimously approved by the Board.

Sandy also presented suggested revisions to the Standing Rules. These proposed changes were approved, along with additions by the Board and will be updated and presented to the Board for final approval five days prior to our next Board meeting and then presented to the membership at the April 11, 2016 GM meeting.

Membership Chair Beverly Metcalf proposed Board approval for the reinstatement of a former member, Shelley Marcus, in good standing and acceptance of Mary Beth Leytze resignation. Both were approved and brings the total membership to 224. Beverly also proposed the purchase of new updated and redesigned Yearbook covers for all members. The Board approved exploring this idea beginning with a discussion of cost with Pat McNamara, Janet Donald and the Finance Budgeting Committee.

Catherine Ware and Ann Westerfield, both members of NGC have been selected as Women of Initiative by the Women's Initiative of Collier County. Naples Garden Club endorsed Catherine Ware. They will be honored at a luncheon on April 8, 2016. Members are encouraged to attend.

Mary Raymond will explore alternative sites, for economical reasons, for a storage facility and report the findings to Facilities & Operations Chair, Arlette Bradley.

Deadline for April Trowel Prints is March 21st. This edition will come out before the Annual Meeting.

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The March 7, GM meeting will begin at 10 AM. Board Ambassadors and those manning tables are asked to be there at 9 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Lemmon, Secretary
16.3.2 Draft
16.3.6 revised Draft
16.3.29 revised Draft
16.4.22 revised: *Shelley Marcus and Mary Beth Leytze names added - were mistakenly omitted*

Naples Garden Club Executive Board Meeting
December 12, 2014

1) The Executive Board (EB) has approved the formation of The "Friend of Naples Garden Club" appreciation acknowledgment that could be presented to an individual for recognition of long standing effort and exceptional dedication put forth in the behalf of Naples Garden Club.

This recognition would be included in the Board Handbook section under "Awards and Recognitions" so that future boards have guidelines.

Approved via electronic vote by Executive Committee on 11-25-2014

Roberta will bring her very creative card to the Jan Membership Meeting for the board to sign. We will give the card and the fun nameplate along with our sincere thanks to Gerry at the January Board Meeting. Linda will arrange hopefully without alerting Beverly Metcalf.

2) Annual board donations: The EB recommends that that these monies are designated as the Board Discretionary Fund and be retained in our bank account.

3) Illness/surgeries or death of a spouse and board members: The EB also recommends that in the event of the death of a board member's spouse or child, that the money for flowers or a donation be taken from the above fund (BDF).

In the event of illness or surgery of a board member, the Secretary will send a 'get well' card.