

**Lake Forest Garden Club
General Meeting Minutes
May 20,2022**

The meeting was called to order by President Pat Chong at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 20, 2022.

Minutes of April General Meeting:

As there were no further corrections or additions to the minutes, the minutes were accepted and filed for audit.

Treasurer's Report

JoAnne Gillespie reported an April 19 opening balance of \$10,074.05. April checks were \$313.42 and withdrawals totaled \$116.10. There was a service fee of \$3.00. Deposits and credits totaled \$19.00. April's closing balance was \$9,660.53, less \$4000 for the community project, leaving total unrestricted funds of \$5,660.53.

Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee:

Nominating Committee chairperson Barbara Foster reported that the committee was presenting a full slate of officers, as follows:

President: Pat Chong

First Vice Presidents/Programs: Barbara Hogan and Sandy Ueeck

2nd Vice President/Membership: Rita Bradley

Third Vice President/Ways and Means: Anne Breuer

Recording Secretary: Roxie Aird

Treasurer: JoAnne Gillespie

Corresponding Secretary: Pat Picuch

The slate of officers was approved.

Ways and Means:

Marilyn Hill reported that the Boutique made \$7,043.50, which was a good amount for the Boutique's new start after two years. However, the total was much less than the \$17,513.02 the 2019 Boutique generated. She also noted that Boutique expenses have not been deducted yet.

The breakdown of sales per category is as follows:

Fabulous Finds: \$1284.00
Floral Arrangements: \$866.00
Flower Baskets: \$738.50
Plants: \$1273.50
Succulents: \$1237.50
Tillandsias: \$453.50
Raffle: \$888.00
Edibles: \$103.00

Marilyn noted that next year club members need to plant more Edibles to have for sale at the Boutique, as that sales category experienced the greatest drop from 2019. She also said that more sale day volunteers will be needed for succulents, flower baskets and flower arrangements. She thanked everyone who volunteered, and urged club members to make the 2023 Boutique the biggest and best ever.

Garden Tour:

Karen O'Brien reported a small group attended the Garden Tour, and that the hostesses toured the gardens the following day, and had lunch afterwards.

Plant Exchange and Corresponding Secretary:

Rita Bradley encouraged members to bring items to the plant exchange, and she introduced the incoming Corresponding Secretary, Pat Picuch, who asked that members contact her with information about anyone who has suffered an illness or other difficulties.

Hospitality:

Sheryl Weaver said the June General Meeting will be a potluck to celebrate the installation of the new officers. She asked everyone to bring items to jointly decorate tables with a theme of "Bring on Summer". Possible décor could include beach towels, visors, hats, sunscreen, flip flops, travel mementos, etc. Everyone should bring a brunch or salad type food to share.

Greeter:

Bev Vargish introduced four guests.

Publicity:

Noel DeSotathanked everyone who helped with the Boutique and with the workshops. She gave special recognition to Eileen Whitmee, who was instrumental the day before the sale.

Unfinished Business:

Dues:

Club members were reminded to pay their 2022-23 dues, which are still reduced due to COVID to \$20 per individual and \$25 per couple. The checks will not be cashed until July 1. If anyone needs to pay by mail, send it to the Beach and Tennis Club marked to the attention of the LFGC, and also let the Treasurer know.

New Business:

The installation of officers will take place at the June General Meeting on June 17.

The meeting adjourned at 10:54. The next board meeting will be held on Friday, June 3 at 9 a.m. and the next General Meeting will be held on Friday, June 17 at 9:30 a.m. Both meetings will take place at the Beach and Tennis Club.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxie Aird

Roxie Aird, Recording Secretary