

**Lake Forest Garden Club**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**March 18, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by President Pat Chong at 10:32 a.m. on Friday, March 18, 2022.

**Minutes of February 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 a February 1 opening balance of \$15,479.97. February checks and withdrawals totaled \$380.01. Deposits and credits totaled \$57.36. February's closing balance was \$15,157.32, less \$4000 for the community project, leaving total unrestricted funds of \$11,157.32.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership:**

Jan Little welcomed the new members.

**Hospice:**

Nadine Melberg thanked the Garden Club members who stepped up before the meeting to help complete 12 floral arrangements for hospice. She asked for new volunteers and donations of greens, and also asked club members to thank Albertsons for their generous donation of flowers.

**Ways and Means:**

Anne Breuer announced that the first basket planting workshop for the Boutique will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, March 29 at Marilyn Hill's house. In addition, she noted that Ways and Means needs volunteers to lead Boutique areas, and that there would be a Boutique meeting following the General Meeting.

**Fabulous Finds:**

Karen O'Brien and Susan Harnett are heading Fabulous Finds, and are seeking donations of nice—not broken or dated—items to sell at the Boutique. Members can call or text Karen to arrange to drop off donations which can be stored in Susan's garage.

**Garden Tour:**

Karen O'Brien asked for members to participate in the May 13 Garden Tour. They can host tours of the front yard only, or both front and back.

**Publicity:**

Noel DeSota said she will be re-using the postcards advertising the Boutique that were printed for the cancelled 2020 Boutique. She has printed new labels to paste on that show the 2022 date, saving

substantial printing costs. She asked members to take cards along to the salon and other businesses, and to give them to friends and neighbors to get the word out about the Boutique.

**Communications:**

Ginny Heard reminded members to donate small to medium baskets for the basket workshops—small containers are better than large ones as the cost of plants has gone up. She also asked for donations for the raffle baskets, and said she can arrange to store items if needed.

**Plant Exchange and Corresponding Secretary:**

Rita Bradley reminded members to bring in cuttings and plants for next month's plant exchange. And, as Corresponding Secretary, she asked everyone to contact her if they know of any club members dealing with illness or other issues so that she could send them a card.

**Programs:**

Barbara Hogan reported that the luncheon for the Beach and Tennis Club staff went well. The speaker for the April meeting will be Elizabeth Wallace, who will talk about native California plants. The May speaker will be Jaki Kamphuis, who will present a program on plumerias.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Trips and Tours:**

Pat Chong announced that Barbara Hochgesang has arranged a tour of the Heritage Garden at Mission Viejo's Casta del Sol community. The tentative tour date is April 7, and interested members need to register in advance with Barbara so they can get gate clearance to Casta del Sol.

**Nominating Committee:**

Pat Chong asked for two volunteers from the general membership to serve on the Nominating Committee with Barbara Foster. As no one volunteered at the meeting, committee members will have to be recruited.

Pat Chong also reminded club members to donate items for the Boutique raffle baskets.

There being no new business, the meeting adjourned at 10:58.

The next LFGC Board Meeting will be held on Friday, April 1 at 9 a.m. and the next General Meeting will be held on Friday, April 15 at 9:30 a.m. Both meetings will take place at the Beach and Tennis Club.

Respectfully submitted,

*Roxie Aird*

Roxie Aird, Recording Secretary