

CBGC BOARD MINUTES September 16, 2019

President Kathie Truxall called the meeting to order at 0930. She thanked Helen Bell, our 2nd Vice President and her production team, Vicky Bowen and Debbie Gwaltney for a job well done on our 2019-2020 Club Yearbook.

The minutes of the June Board Meeting were corrected and approved by email.

Debbie Boze gave the **Treasurer's Report**. Barbara Yinger donated \$30 to our club in memory of Joan Clements. It was decided that the donation will go to Landscape Design Committee to plant daffodils in Jane Clark's garden. It was decided that the memorial donation for Roz Messing's husband be forwarded to St Francis DeSales Catholic Church.

The group agreed that we need to keep financial records for 7 years in compliance with the IRS policy. Debbie is scanning financial records from past years and digitalizing them. Paper copies will then be discarded after the records have been saved.

Kathie reported for **Corresponding Secretary**. We sent a get well card to Carolyn King and Janice Mahoney and a sympathy card to Cindy Boyce for the loss of her brother.

Committee Reports:

Kathie thanked the Horticulture, Hospitality, Membership, and Ways and Means chairs plus the Treasurer for their excellent work in clearing out and reorganizing our storage closet at Festival Halle.

Patsy Sylvia introduced Serita Lentz as her assistant for **Awards**. Patsy asked that any chairman that has a project that would qualify for an award please let her know so she can work on submitting it to the District in December. We expect to receive the new list of Awards soon.

Susan Brandli as **Birds, Butterflies, and Bees** chair will provide an educational display at every meeting concerning the topic. She is looking for members to join her on the committee. Also, as chair of **Beyond the Garden** she will create exhibits at some meetings with clever garden ideas.

Civic Development—No report

As **Conservation** co chairs, Carol Cole and Alice Stieve have been working on litter prevention. They hope to get some county support for their project. The Hazardous Waste Collection will take place on Saturday Sept 21 at the Northumberland Middle School from 9A.M.-2P.M.

Darleen Nelson, **Floral Exhibit** chair said the floral design for our September meeting will be a tea tray for one featuring a floral arrangement of fresh plant material.

Horticulture chair Rebecca Elston, brought Vision of beauty calendars from the District board meeting to sell to our members. She also drafted an article on boxwood blight.

Sue Moore and Sharon Stieber, **Hospitality** chairmen reorganized and cleaned the supply closets for Hospitality this summer. The September meeting will be a "potluck" lunch. Sue and Sharon will be making floral arrangements for the buffet tables, beverage table and dessert table. Mary Frazer and Sharon Jachimski will assist with the set-up and cleanup. Sharon has been working on decorated vases for our Christmas luncheon. They could be a giveaway to one person at each table.

Landscape Design chair Debbie Gillispie reported that 11 members came to help cleanup in Reedville at the RFM and Festival Halle on Thursday. In addition 4 other members worked prior to that day.

Sandra Ehlert and her **Membership** committee Tricia Mrzygold and Jackie Konzelman have been working on new ideas to help encourage and retain new members.

The guest sign in sheet will include the date of all our meeting and the programs/speakers along with a column for the guest's email so a "thank you" can be sent out for attending.

If a guest does not come with another member, a greeter will be assigned to the guest to show her around and introduce her to the President/ officers etc. Jackie Konzelman has agreed to be a greeter, but we could use other members to help with this duty.

The membership applications will continue to list all the committees and a brief description of each one. Our club website will be included. The new member's info will be emailed to all board members with a special note to any chairman of the committee in which she has an interest.

Karen Luzuriaga, **Publicity** chair has been busy this summer. Our club had an article in the Old Dominion on our participation with the Rappahannock Art League with Art and Flower Show. Also, an article was published in Footprints about our May Horticulture Flower Show.

Jacqui Penny will be at **Ways and Means** table at our September meeting with donated item for sale or give away.

Old Business:

The Piedmont District Meeting will be held on October 14 at her Four Points Sheraton in Richmond. Patsy Sylvia is still taking reservations, but this Wednesday will be the cutoff date. Carpools will be arranged.

Kathie confirmed the date of our trip to Longwood Gardens as June 16-18. So far 20 have indicated they will attend. The bus has been reserved as well as 15 rooms in the hotel. More information to follow.

New Business:

There will be 5 houses on display for Christmas on Cockrell's Creek. The dates are December 14 and 15. We need volunteers for decorators. Karen Luzuriaga and Susan Brandli have volunteered to do a tablescape for the event.

Radio Station WKWI has asked us to participate in the Middle Neck Living radio station website. We would be posting info on gardening tips etc. Karen (publicity chair) said she would send in any articles we do for the website.

The meeting was adjourned at 1140.

Members in Attendance

Sharon Lemke, Kathie Truxall, Carol Cole, Karen Luzuriaga, Vicky Bowen, Sue Moore, Susan Brandli, Jacqui Penny, Sharon Stieber, Rebecca Elston, Debbie Boze, Sandra Ehlert, Patsy Sylvia, Debbie Gillipsie, Sarita Lentz