

# Chappell Hill Garden Club General Meeting

November 12, 2025

President Dixie Ford called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM in the fellowship hall of Chappell Hill Methodist Church. She welcomed all and then presented a prayer and led the group in the pledge. A quorum was established with 33 members present.

The minutes from the October 15 meeting were approved as submitted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kay reported \$57,154 in Total Assets with a Bank Balance of \$18,051. YTD Revenue is \$16,212 made up primarily of HT Member tickets. YTD Expenses are primarily scholarships for Texas Brigades and HS Seniors. YTD Net Loss of \$10,868. Home Tour income and expenses are still to be determined following the December 13 event. She thanked the fundraising committee for their work.

**Elections:** Dixie explained the October election was postponed to November and requested a date change be considered in a bylaws revision to allow for unforeseen circumstances. She also said it has been suggested that the officers and board members have term limits to bring in fresh ideas and avoid the feeling that being a board member was for life. She explained the proposed term limit would be 3 years for Treasurer and President and 2 years for Vice President and Secretary. A motion was made to put the bylaws and term limit revisions to a club vote, it was seconded, and all were in favor. Dixie then handed out the ballots with the proposed language for the bylaws revisions as well as the slate of officers proposed for 2026.

The 2025 current officers are: President – Dixie Ford; Vice President – Sonjia Biddle; Treasurer – Kay Hanson Clerc; Secretary – Janis Boulware. The slate for 2026 was presented as: President – Dixie Ford; Vice President – Janis Boulware; Treasurer – Kay Hanson Clerc; and Secretary Dale Dugas. Sonjia Biddle, current VP, is leaving the club and Janis Boulware was nominated to take the position of Vice President. Paper ballots were distributed to vote on revisions to the bylaws and the proposed slate of officers. After a tally of the votes, it was announced that all measures and candidates passed resoundingly. The 2026 Officers are: President Dixie Ford; Vice President Janis Boulware; Secretary Dale Dugas, and Treasurer Kay Hanson Clerc.

**Home Tour:** Bennie handed out docent assignments to each location leader with instructions to notify their team members. Dixie gave a parking update for the tour locations. Ticket sales will be online prior to December 13 and in the Masonic Lodge on event day. Credit cards will be accepted this year for the member contest/ silent auction items. Twyla explained that the Member Christmas contest would be five teams, each decorating 3 clay pots that will be in a silent auction held in the Masonic Lodge on the day of the event. Pots would be available to take after the meeting, and the decorated creation should be returned to the Masonic Lodge on December 12 from 1-2 PM.

**Main St.:** Debi reported that 9 AM on December 3 is the last workday of the year.

## **Other committee reports and announcements:**

- Take nametags home and wear on day of pre-tour and tour. Also wear them to the Christmas party.
- Christmas party is on Wednesday, December 17. Bring wrapped gift for exchange. \$15 ticket.
- The refreshment list for January is available, and members are requested to sign up. A chair is still needed to oversee this activity.
- Karen thanked Doug for the PowerPoint presentation showing on the tv screen.
- Dixie thanked the refreshment committee of Kathryn van der Pol, Mary Smith, Karen Kubeczka, Jere Hill, and Bonnie Wills.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Boulware  
CHGC Secretary