

Chappell Hill Garden Club Board

June 29, 2020

The Chappell Hill Garden Club Board meeting began at 2:33. Present were Bennie Yates, Karen Kubeczka, Lynda Harrison, Carol Madeley, Dale Ramey, and Paula Barrett.

Home Tour The board reviewed the letter that will be sent to potential sponsors for the home tour. Lynda updated a previous letter and after discussion, several more changes were made. Karen moved that two home tour tickets be given to sponsors at the \$250 level, and two invitations to the pre-home tour and cocktail party be given to the \$500 and higher level. Carol seconded the motion, which passed.

Lynda will send the letter to Dale Dugas for review. Karen will put the final letter in Dropbox.

Dale reported we need two more homes for the tour. She will contact the Simons to see if they would be interested in being on the home on the tour again. Because of the flooding in 2018, many people did not see their home.

Carol reported that seven current members didn't buy any home tour tickets in 2019. The board agreed that if a member doesn't buy five tickets this year, she will no longer be a member in 2021. Members will buy their tickets in September. The requirement to buy tickets has been mentioned at every meeting and Bennie has reminded members to save their money. The application form that all members updated listed the requirement.

The board agreed that the application form be revised. The requirements for membership are pay annual dues of \$25, work on a committee, buy 5 tickets to the home tour and participate as docent and furnish refreshments at least once a year. The board agreed that dues must be paid by the Feb. meeting. Members must sign that they agree to the rules and have received a copy of the form. Karen will revise the form.

New members who want to join late in the year have the option of buying their tickets or waiting to join in January 2021.

Scholarship/Funding The club provided 90 meals for the day and night staff at the Brenham Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Dale will write an article for the Brenham Banner-Press about the meals the club provided to Brenham Nursing, Da Vita Brenham Dialysis and St. Joseph Family Medicine Brenham.

Dale Dugas wrote an article that was published in the Brenham Banner-Press about the scholarships for Jules Mokry, Katie Murski, Allison Meisner, Ileesha Bradford, Anna Keniston and Texas Brigade.

The board discussed creating a new committee for Publicity.

Chappell Hill Fourth of July Celebration The club's display at the Memory Garden tied for first place in the Chappell Hill Chamber of Commerce contest. There was discussion about what to do with the decorations after they are taken down. Members will be given the opportunity to buy the decorations.

Christmas Party Paula reported that six team leaders have volunteered to decorate the trees that will be set up at the Providence Church. Members will be randomly assigned to teams and themes will be drawn by the team leaders at the July meeting. Home tour guests will vote on the trees and the winner will be announced at the Christmas party.

The team leaders are Nikki Thornton, Twyla Kingsley, Dixie Ford, Cheryl Robinson, Sandy Smith and Pam Waldren.

Programs Sandy Smith will present a program on landscape design at the July meeting. Karen will help Sandy with the slide presentation. Bennie will have a raffle at the meeting.

Nine members will attend the July 9 cooking class field trip to La Grange, and five or six will attend the July 15 class. In the future, no reservations for field trips will be accepted without payment.

Nikki Thornton will teach a class on wreath making in August. A sign up sheet will be passed around at the July meeting so the correct number of wreaths will be purchased. Carol will send an email about the class before the August meeting.

The October field trip to the Dallas Arboretum is cancelled. The program for the October meeting is open.

Tentative plans for 2021 were discussed. A spokesman from Moody Gardens in Galveston will speak at the February meeting. A bus trip to Moody Gardens is tentatively scheduled for March. The 2021 plant swap will be held at the church. A garden tour of four member's homes is being considered for April. Two major speakers are planned next year.

Board Members All the current board members agreed to serve again next year.

Treasurer Lynda Harrison reported the balance of the Operating Account, as of June 27, 2020, was \$1,699.09 and the balance of the Savings Account was \$19,985.81. Through June 27, total income was \$1,426.14 and total expenses were \$5,142.23, for a net loss of \$3,716.09. Complete financial reports are attached to the original minutes.

Lynda reported she has not received receipts for fifteen charges on the club's credit card. She will remind members at the July meeting that receipts must be turned in within ten days.

As a 501(c)(3), the club does not pay sales tax. Lynda has certificates that should be shown to vendors to avoid sales tax. She will remind members to take the certificate if they are buying for the club.

Membership Concerns Libby Beckenbaugh will be asked to send a card to Bob Marcos, who had a heart procedure and is home and doing well.

Being no further business, Karen moved to adjourn; Paula seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley
Secretary