

Chappell Hill Garden Club Board

February 4, 2019

The Chappell Hill Garden Club Board meeting began at 3:05. Present were Karen Kubeczka, Paula Barrett, Angela Rutland, Bennie Yates, Dale Ramey and Carol Madeley.

Correspondence A thank you note from Friends of Texas Wildlife thanking the club for a \$100 donation was received. A statement from First Baptist Church acknowledging the club's \$150 donation was received.

A membership application and dues were received from Charlene Yezak.

A bill for renewal and a ballot was received from the Washington County Chamber of Commerce.

Budget Angela presented the 2019 Garden Club Budget and the 2019 Home Tour Budget. Total expenses for 2019 are budgeted to be \$20,200 and Fundraisers are budgeted to make \$8,000. The complete reports are attached to the original minutes.

Programs The next meeting will be a field trip to Peckerwood Gardens on Feb. 20. The cost is \$10. We will meet at the church at 8:20 and leave by 8:30. After the tour, the club will go to lunch at Bluebonnet Herb Farm in Hempstead.

In March, the snake man will give a presentation. The April program will be on citrus when a Master Gardener will speak. The May program will be the plant exchange and potluck at Bob Markos' house. Dale is researching having the June program at the cut flower farm in Weimar.

Main Street Cleanup The next cleanup will be on Wednesday, Feb. 6, starting at 8 am.

Memory Garden The hardscape is completed and planting has begun at the Memory Garden.

Membership Angela reported that 34 members have paid dues. Angela will email everyone on the roster who hasn't paid dues, reminding them that they must pay before they attend the Peckerwood field trip. Anyone who has not paid dues by the March meeting on March 13 will no longer be a member.

Two application forms are missing for two of the members who joined at the January meeting. Carol will re-send the form to them and let Dale know who they are.

The procedure for new members was reviewed. Carol will provide membership applications to new members, who will give Angela the application and dues. Carol will keep the original application in a binder and give Karen and Libby Beckenbaugh contact information for the new members.

Notebooks There was discussion about whether to continue providing notebooks to new members. The board decided to give each new member a notebook with the following items: latest membership list, welcome letter, website tip sheet and the Resource Book. Carol will bring notebooks for new members to the March meeting. Carol will order notebook covers on card stock from Layla.

Committees The Home Tour Signs committee needs a chair. Dale will ask Tom Yates and Gary Pullins if they will chair the committee. Bennie Yates will chair the Home Tour Docents committee.

Committee chairs will be invited to the March 4 board meeting.

Christmas Party The Christmas Party will be held at Lillian Farms, which will also be a home on the home tour. Garden Club members will decorate tables for the party in time for the home tour. Table captains will be solicited. After the table captains are chosen, names will be drawn for each table. Random table sittings will encourage members to get to know each other. Each table group will decorate their table, which will be judged by the homeowners on the home tour.

Home Tour Dale has called Gloria at The Houston Chronicle to include the home tour in the paper's twice a year calendar section. The board approved paying The Chronicle \$500.

The board agreed to invite the Rug Hookers to the home tour. Karen felt confident they would come if there was adequate room for them.

A donation to Citizens on Parole to help with traffic the day on the tour was discussed and tabled.

Dale Dugas and Dale Ramey are researching the purchase of corrugated signs for the home tour.

Resource Book Karen has completed updating the Resource Book, incorporating comments from board members. She will order ten copies to be included in the new member's notebooks. The board thanked Karen for a job well done.

Board Members Dale made a motion to amend the bylaws and add two voting directors to the board. Bennie Yates seconded the motion, which passed. Karen Kubeczka, Website and Design Committee Chair, and Paula Barrett, Facebook Committee Chair, are the appointed members.

Angela will inform the IRS of the change in the annual report, if necessary.

Raffles Bennie asked if the board wanted to continue with occasional raffles at meetings. Everyone heartily agreed to continue the raffles. Bennie will send Carol and Karen a picture of the raffle item to be included in the meeting email reminder and on the website.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley
Secretary