

Chappell Hill Garden Club Board

July 3, 2023

The Chappell Hill Garden Club Board meeting opened at 1:58. Present were Dale Ramey, Bennie Yates, Karen Kubeczka, Kay Hanson-Clerc, Carol Madeley, Dixie Ford, Lynda Harrison, Debi Faver and Shirley Rigamonti.

Quorum was established.

Bennie moved that the June 5 board minutes be approved. Shirley seconded the motion, which passed. Bennie moved that the June 6 board minutes be approved. Debi seconded and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report Lynda presented the financial reports, which are attached to the original minutes. Kay and Lynda are still fine tuning the transition to the new non-profit reports. Lynda thanked Kay for all her help. They will continue working on the reports and when finished, Karen will post them on the website.

As of 6/30/23, the balance in the operating account was \$6,455.79 and the balance in the CD account was \$20,300. Total revenue was \$7,398.30; total expenses were \$18,873.27, resulting in a net loss of \$11,474.97.

The 2023 books will be closed by January 15, 2024. Receipts must be turned in by Jan. 5, 2024. Committee budgets are due November 8, 2023. A budget meeting will be held Jan. 15, 2024.

Fourth of July Parade Sonjia Biddle and her committee have been working hard on the club's entry to the parade. They have done a wonderful job. Dale Ramey thanked Sonjia, Dixie Ford, Debi Faver, Cathy McNurlen, Jodi Rodriguez, Sandy Smith and Pam Hall.

Home Tour Cocktail Party Janice Williams will chair the committee. Members will be asked for caterer suggestions at the July meeting. Plastic ware will be used at the party.

Home Tour Dale Ramey reported there are six homes on the home tour. Mary Humphries will host a tea for homeowners to meet each other and learn more about the home tour.

Dale Ramey is working with Microlife to sponsor the tickets.

Bennie got a quote from Webb Printing for the tickets. The cost is \$68.95 for 500 tickets, printed on both sides. Bennie will order 600 tickets.

Citizens on Patrol will not be available for the home tour this year. The club will hire a policeman to be on Main Street for four hours on the day of the tour.

Karen passed around a sample of a flyer she designed. She will complete the flyers when the details are finalized. Bennie got an estimate from Web Printing to print the flyers. They would charge \$210 for 1,000 8.5 by 11-inch color flyers, or \$165 for 1,000 8.5 by 5.5-inch flyers. The board asked Karen to print the flyers this year.

Home tour tickets must be purchased by the October meeting.

Home Tour Sponsorship Dale Ramey is working on sponsorship. She's expecting to get \$8,650 in sponsorships.

Dale Ramey will work on a bullet list of what the garden club provides the community. The list will be given to potential sponsors. She asked for help working on the list.

Programs Vickie Henson will make a presentation on Monarch butterflies at the July meeting. In August, Faye Beery will talk about plumerias. The Texas Brigade will also make a short presentation in August.

After discussion, the board agreed that if speakers bring product to sell at the meeting, the club should not pay them also.

Refreshments Doug and Maclyn Jones, Sally English, Darlene Wyatt and Woody Taylor will provide refreshments at the July meeting.

Elections Elections will be held in October. In September, members will be encouraged to run for the board.

Main Street Cleanup The next cleanup is Wednesday, July 5. They will be taking down the Fourth of July decorations and weeding.

Debi will ask members to donate plants for Main Street in the fall.

Daffodils will be dug up and replanted on Wednesday, July 19.

The large wooden garden club sign used in the parade needs to be stored. The club will need a bigger storage unit. Bennie will check to see if she could store it in her garage or in the church's storage. Dale Ramey will see if the club can get a bigger unit for the same \$600/year cost.

Watering on Main Street Instructions for watering will be posted at the watering reel.

Suggestion Box There were no suggestions in the box.

Seed Library Debra Salcedo will package the bluebonnet seeds that were saved from the beds on Main Street. Karen designed a pretty label to put on the packets, which will be sold at the Scarecrow Festival and other events.

Website In the past, Karen sent new members a welcome letter with instructions on logging in to the website. Since the website changed, she no longer sends these emails. There was discussion about creating a letter to give new members when they join.

Future Fundraising Ideas There was discussion about a Mother's Day Garden party at Gold Heart Ranch. Other possible dates were suggested. Twyla Kingsley had suggested a Kentucky Derby Party.

Christmas Party The committee decided Janis Boulware's house was not big enough for the party, so it has been moved to Lillian Farms. Barbara Segal has graciously offered the site free of charge.

Members must pay \$25 to attend the party. The deadline for paying is August 9.

Shirley moved to adjourn; Dixie seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley