

West Linn Garden Club
Board Minutes
Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Present: Kim Bria, Interim President
Diane Awalt, Interim Treasurer
Sue Piper, Interim Secretary
Alma Coston, Member At Large
Laurel Buncak, Plant Sale
Judy Hutchinson, McLean Park and House
Cheryl Wyborny, Membership Chair

Guest: Stephanie Scott

The meeting was called to order by Interim President Kim Bria at 7:02 pm.

1. **Financial Report**—Interim Treasurer Diane Awalt reviewed the Financial spreadsheet noting that we had \$5,734.37 at the start of March with \$74 income from the March raffle. To date, we have spent \$170 in dues to OFSGC, leaving a balance of \$5,638.37. We have \$1000 in a CD to protect the legacy gift of Dorothy Maddax. Diane suggested that the Board consider putting some of our checking account funds into another CD to earn better interest. The Board decided to wait until after the Plant Sale to determine how much we should invest in another CD. The Board unanimously accepted the Financial Report for March.
2. **Clackamas County District Luncheon** on April 4—Diane Awalt, Sue Piper and Jane Sercomb will represent the Club at the Spring Luncheon.
3. **Standing Rules**- Cheryl Wyborny walked board members through the proposed Standing Rules (see attached). The Board approved the rules with 6 yes and 1 abstention.

4. **Plant Sale**—Plant Sale Chair Laurel Buncak reminded members that the Pot Party is set for April 20 at 1 pm at Diane Awalt's house. An announcement will be made at the April 1 meeting to remind members to bring plants and pots. Soil will be provided. It was noted that OSU is recommending that people throw out the soil that their plants come in because of an infestation of worms and other invasives. Laurel will recruit members to help with promotion—hanging posters and sending outreach information on Facebook, Next Door, Craig's List and local papers. She will bring flyers to the meeting for people to take with them.
5. **Membership**—Cheryl Wyborny reported that we are still at 34 members and that the 3 potential members don't look like they will follow through on joining. She requested that we add to the agenda of the April Board meeting a discussion on how we handle membership recruitment in the coming fiscal year—who collects the dues, who does the outreach and follow up, etc.
6. **Upcoming Election**—Past President Diane Awalt reported that she has not had luck finding candidates to fill the three interim slots: President, Secretary and Treasurer. Stephanie Scott has already volunteered to serve as the At Large Member. Interim Secretary Sue Piper, who will be serving as the chair of Monday's meeting since Kim will be out of town, will make note that we need people to step up to the plate if the club is to continue. Meanwhile Diane will keep reach out to potential candidates.
7. **McLean Park and House Update**—Judy Hutchinson reported that 4 club members and 1 neighbor showed up to work on March 21. The Saturday workday was cancelled due to rain. The next workdays are Saturday, April 13 and Thursday, April 18. Sue Piper noted that the local Easter Seals director contacted her through the Club's website to see if we needed volunteers. Judy will follow up with her.

8. Items for next Board meeting agenda

- a. Develop Budget for 2024-2025

- b. Elections—update
- c. Plant Sale—final arrangements
- d. Summer Activities
- e. Proposed Programs for 2024-2025
- f. Fund Raising efforts

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm.