

**West Linn Garden Club
Minutes from May 6, 2024 General Meeting
West Linn Lutheran Church**

Present:

Kim Bria, Interim President
Sue Piper, Interim Secretary
Diane Awalt, Interim Treasurer
Alma Costan, Member at Large
Elaine Daggett Aye
Laurel Buncak
Linda Daugherty
Lorie Griffith
Judy Hutchinson
Steve Muir
Gordon Piper
Marcia Prinz
Heather Renaud
Barbara Sanne
Stephanie Scott
Heidi Streeter
Ann Swinford
Gwen VanMeter
Cheryl Wyborny

The meeting was called to order by Interim President Kim Bria at 6:40 pm.

Membership Coordinator Cheryl Wyborny introduced two guests: Duane Funk and Amanda Brookshire and our newest member Steve Muir.

Program Chair Sue Piper introduced Nancy Buley, Director of Communications for J. Frank Schmidt & Son Company, wholesale tree growers of Boring, Oregon where she has worked for 30 years. Nancy gave an informative presentation on trees as pollinators.

The \$30 gift certificate to Out in the Garden was won by Anne Swinford. Winners of the Tree Catalog from J. Frank Schmidt & Son were won by Diane Awalt; Stephanie Scott and Amanda Brookshire.

Business:

Bylaws were sent out for review over the past two months. The Bylaws were approved by all members present with one abstention.

The 2024-2026 slate of officers were unanimously approved:

President: Sue Piper

Secretary: Elaine Daggett Aye

Treasurer: Linda Daugherty

Member-At-Large: Stephanie Scott

Plant Sale Chair Laurel Buncak went over last minute details for Saturday's Annual Plant Sale and asked for additional volunteers. We anticipate a great turnout for the plant sale at Hammerle Park with sunny, warm weather.

Judy Hutchinson reported that the two workdays at McLean Park and Garden were cancelled due to inclement weather. The next workdays will be on Saturday, May 11 (knowing that Garden Club members will be working the plant sale) and Thursday, May 16.

Sue Piper reminded members that the June meeting with Chad Hawthorne talking about pollinators will be held at the West Linn Public Library. She asked members to invite their friends and neighbors.

Gordon Piper reported that pollinator plants were donated to Oliver Shultz, an 8th grader from Cedar Park Middle School in Beaverton. Oliver, who is member Heidi Streeter's nephew, reached out to our club for help in developing an 8th grade service project to help bees by building mason bee boxes, bee baths and planting floral plants in the school's community garden.

The Pipers announced that their Green PLANeT Gardens will be part of the Hardy Plant Society Open Garden Tour on Saturday, June 22. They will also be hosting a pot-luck brunch for West Linn Garden Club members at their garden in August—details to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.