LOW Garden Club Board meeting

February 23, 2020

called to order – Linda Ticomb, President - @ 10:30 am

\*Phones off, please

8 Board members present, 1 Standing Committee member present – Quorum reached

Treasurer – Rita Bowles – has assumed the position from Deborah Kratzer. Will send email to members reminding them to use envelopes for reimbursement requests; will announce at next meeting also.

Corresponding Secretary – Shellee Williams – Received Thank You from Living Waters Clinic – for donation of decorated tree at their Silent Auction Gala; also, received $25 donation from Charles and Helen Brewer – thank you to be sent.

President - Linda Ticomb – planting “In Memorium” for Marguerite Dwyer; either in Memorial or Club House Garden – discussion – tabled until Mary Sims returns in April. General Meeting to be reestablished for February – motion’d/2nd’d/vote – 7 yea’s, 1 nay – approved. Will announce at next general meeting. Valentine’s Social – 50 attended, some money made ($155) – discussion to continue with this or not; decided to bring to all members at next general meeting. Also, a contest was proposed for best “New Social” idea. So many new members – discussion – will have a Meet & Greet, April 19 @ 4 pm at the Club House. Linda will send email to new members to get RSVPs and inform Ryan, Club House Manager..

VFGC/NGC Liaison – Joy Poole (*in absentia*) – VFGC website password: paving. March 29 – Convention – Roanoke, VA; Landscape Design School – April 6, 7 @ Lewis Ginter Gardens; Gardening School Course #IV – June 1, 2; Flower Show School Course #1 – Aug 31 – Sept 3

2nd VP – Debbie Hein – March program – panel discussion “The Health of Our Lakes” - 4 local representatives will discuss how to properly care for our lakes - our two valuable water resources for LOWA, the wildlife in its environs and the Rappahannock watershed. Thanks to Janis Reilly for coordinating this very important topic. There will be a brief general meeting at 1 pm and the panel will begin promptly at 1:30 pm. Since this has been advertised to the LOWA community, refreshments will be provided by the garden club through coordination with Vassa Olson, Hostesses Coordinator. Field Trip to Old House Winery on March 23 @ 1:30 pm – carpool meet up in LL Club House parking lot @ 1 pm.

Old Business

Update on “Flora of Virginia” Project – raising money for new phone app based on “Flora Virginica” published in 2012, updated from last publication in 1700s. Jeanne recommends we purchase a “Flora Virginica” book for the Orange County High School in support of their Botany/Horticulture program. Motion’d/2nd’d/approved – will announce at next meeting.

House & Garden Tour – 2 houses definite; looking for 2-3 more; will update at next board meeting

Plant Sale – April 25, rain date is April 26. Annuals, periennials, and house plants for sale. Email to be sent to members looking for donations of plants and pots. Will also be need cashiers for day of sale.

New Business

Design Workshop – Tuesday, March 31, 6:30 – 8:30 pm; bring your own flowers and container/vase to learn how to make a table arrangement from flowers you buy at the grocery store (suggested flower purchase from Giant or Wegman’s for their variety of flowers)

Food Pantry – March - rice/pasta/potato side dishes; April – cereal

meeting adjourned @ 12 pm

Respectfully submitted

Recording Secretary – Gaylen Smoak