**Lake of the Woods Garden Club**

**General Membership Meeting**

**April 9, 2018**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order—**1st Vice President , Linda Ticomb, called the meeting to order at 1:30. A tree-planting dedication to honor Rod Ahlfield for his tremendous service to Lake of the Woods and in celebration of Arbor Day, had preceded this meeting. Pat Logan gave the inspiration, “Trees,” a poem by Joyce Kilmer.

**Officers’ Reports—**

**1st VP Membership—**Linda Ticomb said that the Club now has 101 members. Jeannie Allen, our newest member, was in attendance. Dues are due by May 14th.

**Recording Secretary**—Teresa Gregson read the two motions that were unanimously passed by the LOW Garden Club Board during their March 26th meeting. The first motion was that the Club would participate with at contribution of $50 towards a new calendar project for 2019 being developed by the VA Federation of Garden Clubs. The LOW Garden Club will feature a club activity in 2019 during the month of June. The second motion passed by the Board was to reduce the cost of the remaining LOW Garden Club cookbooks to $15 a piece and to give Gaylen Smoak, Education Chair, the authority to use the remaining cookbooks as gifts to presenters should she deem it appropriate.

**Corresponding Secretary**—There was no report.

**Treasurer’s Report**—Loretta LaTerra reported that the club had a balance on hand of $4383.24 in the checkbook and a CD worth $3782.69. The Club’s total assets are $8165.93.

**Assistant Treasurer**—There was no report.

**2nd VP Programs**—Gaylen Smoak reported that next month’s program is “Doing a flower design With Flowers From Your Garden.” The June program is still being developed.

**Parliamentarian**—There was no report.

**Nominating Committee**—There was no report.

**Past President**—There was no report.

**Standing Committee Chairpersons**

**Awards & Penny Pines**—There was no report.

**Education—**Gaylen Smoak reported that there would be four-five homes on the House & Garden Tour and also five gardens. Each home will need approximately 8 hostesses and Joyce Haring has a sign-up sheet for anyone interested in participating. Joy Poole will be organizing the flowers for the homes including the horticultural displays and those interested in helping with flowers should contact Joy. Floral arrangements for the homes will be made the Thursday and Friday evening before the Tour.

**Scrapbook—** There was no report.

**Hostesses—** Joyce Haring coordinated the hostesses for today’s meeting and working with her were Connie Etherton, Pat Logan, Sue Villarreal and Janet Burrowes.

**Landscape—**Jan Davis reminded members of the upcoming district meeting and said she would be glad to help find a ride for anyone looking for one.

**Newsletter—** There was no report.

**Photographer—** There was no report.

**Publicity—** There was no report.

**Ways and Means—** Co-chair, Lynn Cryblskey, said that the Ways and Means Committee is working hard to develop new ideas for fundraising and mentioned that they would be making cooling neck wraps for summer and that they will be available next month for $5 a piece. Anyone interested in helping make these neck wraps should contact her. In addition there are some items left over from previous years that the committee is focusing on selling as well. Such items include a book on the Art of Japanese Flower Making as well as some pruning knives.

**Yearbook—** There was no report.

**Ongoing Business—**

**New Business—Special Committee—** There was no report.

**Unfinished Business**— There was no report.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Gregson

Recording Secretary