

Wollaston Garden Club Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2017

President Jan Clifford called the meeting to order at 12:18 p.m.

Jan thanked all who worked at the Plant Sale on Saturday, May 13th. We grossed more than \$6,000, the largest profit we have had. We made \$5,800 on Saturday and about \$200 from sales from Jan's driveway for the remaining plants. Expenses are expected to come in at about \$1,500 so \$4,500 will be our biggest profit ever! Remaining plants will be donated.

Thanks was also extended to Lori Jackson who was the hostess and made the beautiful strawberry dessert and Susan Lynch who made the arrangement for the buffet table. Marie Ricci, Donna Marston, Suzanne West, Marnie Dunn, Jean Sullivan, Linda Finnegan, Ruth Griffin, and Ellen Kavanagh were all part of Lori's hospitality team. Marylynn made all the table arrangements which will be part of the raffle

Faith Raimondi gave the Treasurers Report:

The checking account balance as of April 13th, 2017 is \$14,226.11

Income	\$899.00
Expenses	\$1243.03

Checking account balance as of April 13th, 2017
\$13,881.08

CD Balance as of 11/30/16

Will be getting a new update for next month \$5,492.77

Assistant Treasurer's Report- Marnie Dunn is accepting renewals for memberships at the back table. She will accept cash or check...no credit cards.

Committee Reports

Civic Beautification

Kathy Ceurvels thanked everyone who participated in Cleaner Greener Day. She urged members to consider joining the civic beautification group where the requirement is just to give one week to deadhead plants, remove trash and cleanup areas. There is a signup sheet on the back table for those interested in joining the crews.

Kathy and Anne Foresman thanked Rebecca Dinsmore and her crew for her work at the Dorothy Quincy House and Pat Artis and Cynthia Lewis for their work at the Josiah Quincy house.

Field Trip

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Susan Lynch announced that the field trip to [Pettengill Farm](#) on Thursday, June 22 is still on. Members are asked to sign-up again to confirm that they are going to give us an accurate count and arrange drivers. Members are asked to meet at the Church at 9 a.m. and carpools will leave by 9:30 and return before dinner time.

On May 30th Cynthia Lewis will conduct a Summer Birch Wreath workshop at [Houghs Neck Community Center](#). Sign up sheet at front desk.

Pat Artis asked Jan to report that the stone pathways at the Josiah Quincy House have been completed. They received a \$500 grant from the Garden Club Federation of MA and needed to get approval from Historic New England first, which caused the project to be delayed.

David [Kelman](#) had a few announcements:

1. Members can test their soil for an analysis by sending it to [UMass Amherst](#) Center for Agriculture for a \$15 fee. Forms are on the back table.
2. On May 20-21st in Canton [Brookwood Community Farm](#) is having their annual vegetable, herbs and flower seedling sale from 10-3.
3. David has an article published in Edible South Shore on "[Pollinators](#)" (linked here) or ask Jan for a print copy.

Weymouth Garden Club is having a plant sale on Saturday, May 20th from 9-1 at the DPW Yard for those who are still looking for plants.

Suzanne West was thanked for doing a great job for keeping our [website](#) up-to-date with photos of the Club's recent activities including the Plant Sale and the April meeting.

Ruth Griffin, Jo Costello and Cynthia Lewis (on behalf of [Houghs Neck Garden Club](#)) were thanked for their participation in "Art in Bloom" at the Museum of Fine Arts. Photos are on the WGC website along with photos of our annual plant sale and a fact sheet about our Club.

[The Marshfield Fair](#) is held on August 18-27th. Flyers are available. They want us to participate in their floral design or horticultural exhibits as individuals. Emily [Lebo](#) will organize a field trip in the summer to check out their displays before we commit.

Update from Program Chair on status of 2017-2018 meetings and speakers

Emily [Lebo](#) reported that six of the nine meetings are set or in process of being negotiated for next year.

September -Jon [Belber](#)/[Hollyhill Farm](#) followed by a field trip

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