

Wollaston Garden Club Board Meeting 4/12/2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Jan Clifford, President.

Members Present: Faith Raimondi, Diane Hill, Kathy Meade, Kathy Ceurvels, Jan Clifford, Janet Lynch, Emily Lebo, J Costello **Guest Present:** Jean Sullivan

Treasurer's report by Faith, Opening balance for Mar. \$15,624.20 Ending balance: \$14,651.20

Corresponding Secretary's report by Kathy C . We have had acknowledgement for our donations/memberships from: Friends of Blue Hill, Neponset Watershed Asso., Mass Hort, Wakefield, Arnold Arboretum

Along with our membership in the Arboretum, we received a seedling of an oakleaf Hydrangea, "Ruby Slipper" Jan received one also, both are in the capable hands of Elaine McGrail who is trying to turn them into plants for the plant sale.

Wakefield Trust is having a garden tour on 6/9 10-4 four gardens are included 3 in Milton, 1 in W. Rox. Cost is \$7 , Kathy to get a little more info and bring to club for possible sign ups.

Approval of new members: Kathy C. made a motion to accept and Kathy M seconded, all present voted in favor.

3 people were approved Judy Hurstak, Pattie, Laureto, Kate Wylie.

Art in Bloom Update Jo Costello and Ruth Griffin got their object. It is a man's wrap used by nobility in the Asia, Indonesian gallery. 1st Floor. They have done a mock up and are ready to move on to the final project. They will be bringing it in on Friday, 4/27 and it will be on display until 4/30.

Signups for SS District Lunch Correct date is May 3. Jan passed out a sign up sheet . It will take place at in the Agricultural Building on the Marshfield Fairgrounds. Neil Sanders is presenting at 10:15 (on his recent book, Gardening Will Kill You, followed by lunch. However, if you are interested there is registration and tours starting at 8:30 am.

Plant Sale: We need to have a meeting soon, Jan will be contacting Carol F. Jan is hoping to have it on 4/24 Propagation workshop is scheduled for 4/28. Sign up sheets will be available at the Club meeting

Installation Lunch and presentation of new Officer slate May 17th.

Susan and Janet Lynch will be planning the main course, favors and decorations. Board (and or volunteers) will do desserts and beverages.

Scholarships and Environmental Stewardship Awards Pat Artis told Diane that she could do write up and submit to Quincy Sun. Diane is going to go to NQHS and take a photo with student Ali Hussein, Diane and Emily will work to get an article together that includes both recipients. Emily to contact Gail Spring for input on Brianna Christiani.

Update on meeting with MBTA and their plans for the corner of Newport Ave and Beale Street. Chris Casani, TPL for the city had Tom Lindburg (?sp), Community Relations Manager from MBTA project meet with Civic Beautification Comm members on 4/9. Explained the proposed scope of the work and how it may impact our garden. He assured us that they would take care of any damage or make restoration. He did not have a timeline yet.

Committee Reports

Civic Beautification re Cleaner Greener 5/5/18. We do not yet know if the corner garden will be available for us to clean but a lot of work has already been done. Safford Park is having ongoing cleaning by the committee and will not need a crew on 5/5. Kathy C and Ann F will prepare sign up sheets and will ask for help at all sites we work on as a club, such as Main Library and Josiah Quincy and Dorothy Quincy Houses.

Program Committee is having their meeting at Emily's house on 4/17 at 7PM, Thanks to Jan and Jean who attended the meeting at Mass Hort. Will plan to include the Art in Bloom presentation in the programs. Please send any ideas for programs, field trips, or workshops to Emily for consideration if you cannot come.

Hospitality Anne McCarthy will be taking over as Evening Hospitality Chair and joining the Board. .

Conservation ,Eric Hall has agreed to head this committee and will be keeping us abreast of what is going on with this important work and how we can help.

Additional Business Emily asked about the proposed field trip to Tulip Farm in RI. Jan explained that we would hear about the definite date once they can be sure that the tulips are open and we will have to decide right away if we want to go. Jan will be informed by email when they know the best time.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25.