

Wollaston Garden Club Board Meeting

11/8/18

Minutes

Present: Jan Clifford, Janet Lynch, Ann Foresman, Eric Hall, Jo Costello, Linda Monaco, Kathy Meade, Anne McCarthy, Mary Ryan, Kathy Ceurvels

Jan Clifford, acting on behalf of President Emily Lebo, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**Treasurer's Report**

- Linda Monaco reported that as of October 31/18 the checking account beginning balance was \$14,841.08

- Income

○ interest	.67
○ membership	\$60.00
	\$30.00
○ opportunity drawing	\$139.00
○ sale of gloves	\$12.00

**Total income** \$241.67

**Expenses**

○ Oct. meeting program	175.00
○ Palmflex gloves (10 dz.pairs)	299.90
○ GCFM program registration	220.00
○ Quicken 2018	54.00
Total Expenses	\$748.90

**Ending check register balance as of 9/30/18** \$14,333.85

**4 Year CD (matures 10/22/19)**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$5,615.88</b>
Income		
Interest 10/31/18	\$6.82	
<b>Total Income:</b>		<b>\$6.82</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$5,622.70</b>

- ✓ 501 C (3) renewal filed confirmation received
- ✓ Grant of \$500 from GCFM to be used for restoration of boxwood garden at Dorothy Quincy House received and deposited
- ✓ 990 postcard has been filed
- ✓ Form PC for MA Att. General in process
- ✓ Linda and Jan have been in contact with John Reed, our auditor, and he will have the audit report ready no later than Nov, 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### **October Board Meeting minutes**

- No changes voiced
- Minutes accepted as written

#### **Corresponding Secretary's Report—Kathy Ceurvels**

We received correspondence from the following organizations looking for additional donations:

- Interfaith Social Services invitation to gala
- Neponset River Watershed
- Arnold Arboretum

Welcome Letter sent to new member, Karen Flaherty

#### **Membership Update—Marnie Dunn**

- 117 Members + 2 honorary

- 104 paying members + lifetime and former presidents
- 7 days-only
- 30 evening
- 80 both
- 12 no email

### **Vice President Opening and Garden Therapy Chair**

- Looking for 2 people for vice president positions, in preparation to creating a co-presidency in the future. The Club is getting too big and has too many activities for one person.
- Looking for someone to Chair the Garden Therapy committee

### **Greens Sale Update/Needs—Linda Monaco**

- Additional sign up sheets will be available at Thursday's meeting
- Email went to Pat Artis for publicity
- Linda will contact Sue Scheible for article on the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary and Jan's mom
- Wreath-making instructions ----Linda passed out so members could follow along. This is the route Cynthia will follow on November 29
- Signs and banners updated –Banner going up on T-fence Sunday after others are removed.
- Cashiers –emails went out today to ask Ruth Griffin, Diane Foley, Kathleen Frost and Mary Ryan for the Greens Sale
- Looking for more places for scotch broom
- Wreaths have been ordered by Jan
- Ribbon bought for small wreaths by Kathy Meade and Anne McCarthy
- Need volunteers for Table Captains
- Wreath and Swag workshop –Linda will iron out details with Cynthia
- Boxwood trees-5 members are donating theirs from Cynthia's Workshop

- Sachets are in process-Claire Fitzmaurice and Anita Fasano made 25 sets of 3 each
- Birch ladder-Ann Foresman
- Holiday plates and cups - Lisa Tavakoli will decorate 3 sets
- Looking for unique pieces to decorate. Linda will ask at Thursday' meeting that anyone with something they think is usable take a photo and send it to her.

### **Program for November**

Lisa Ahern from Cedar Grove presents "Holiday Inspiration" at 6:45 p.m.

### **Committee Reports**

- **Conservation Eric Hall**
  - A natural gas compressor station has been proposed for the Weymouth side of the Fore River just downstream of the Bridge.
  - This project has stirred up a great deal of opposition from citizens in both Quincy and Weymouth.
  - Thursday, November 15, 7 pm is scheduled for a community meeting at Quincy High School at the same time as the WGC November meeting.
  - Eric will find out what happened at the compressor meeting when he returns next Monday.
- **Civic beautification**
  - Safford Park
    - Kathy and Ann reported
      - ✓ pulled out mums and asters
      - ✓ took out portulaca
      - ✓ keeping the roses
- **Youth Committee**
  - Diane Hill received a response back from Mrs. Hajirizaj from Quincy

- She will pass along the info about the Essay and Poetry contest to let other teachers know at QHS and at NQHS
- Emailed English Dept. Heads at NQHS and QHS about impending deadline for essay/poetry contest entries (12/1/18).
- Received a nice email from Mr. Jorgenson (NQHS) and he felt that 3 weeks was enough time for students to submit work.
- Never heard back from Ms Hsu who was working with students on beach cleanup. Diane will try to track her down.
- Diane asked if WGC had any interest in getting high school kids to help with the Greens Sale?
  - Board discussed and agreed that we have enough runners within the membership.

### **Hospitality Updates**

- Kathy Meade reported that we are all set for next meeting.

### **Additional Business**

#### **Possible support for Wreaths Across America—Kathy Ceurvels**

*The Quincy Sun* had an article on “Wreaths Across America” to lay wreaths on Dec. 15 on all veteran graves in Mount Wollaston Cemetery or donate. “Wreaths Across America” in a national program to honor veterans.

- This is the first time Quincy is participating.
  - 3,200 wreaths are needed
  - 1 wreath=\$15
  - 2 wreaths=\$30
  - 5 wreaths=\$75
  - 10 wreaths (\$150)
- Linda made motion and Jo seconded for WGC to donate 10 wreaths
- Members can also donate individually.

- WGC will have a sign up sheet for those interested in putting wreaths on graves.

**Possible support for Interfaith Social Services Food Drive—Kathy Ceurvels**

- Fall Food Drive-items needed by Nov. 18 –
- Members can bring to our Nov, 15<sup>th</sup> meeting
- Kathy C. will deliver items collected

**Linda Monaco updated us on the wireless mic**

- Chris Potter from QATV will get back to us with a suggestion around \$500
- System will be handheld mic

**Adjournment at 7:55 p.m.**