

Dogwood Garden Club Meeting Minutes January 10, 2019

Business Meeting:

Meeting called to order by President Diane Mettler at 10:35 am. Thank you to hostess Kathy Mettler and co-hostess Diane Mettler.

16 members present.

Welcome to visitors Claudia Hoversten and Rosemary Nordstrom.

A motion was made by Lisa Libby, 2nd by Melody Stalk and voted approved by members present to approve the minutes for December 2018.

A copy of the 2018 financial report was passed out to members by Treasurer Lisa Libby. Checking account balance is \$4110.21.

Chairman Report:

Mary Bewley turned in Smokey the Bear submissions.

Mary also reports that there continues to be 20 students involved in Jr Garden Club.

District Garden Therapy will take place February 21st, 10 am, at Brookdale Courtyard Assisted Living in Puyallup. Linda Evaro and Sammie Jo Thirtyacre will be representing our club. Others are welcome to come and work with the Seniors on a garden related project. Each club in the district is asked to have 1 to 2 members from each club attend.

New Business:

Club books were passed to those who had not received them.

Next meeting will be at Sharon Aguilar's home February 14th. The program will be sharing our tips for success growing house plants. Come and share your suggestions and experiences good and bad.

Final details for our March meeting will come next month.

Sign up sheet was passed by Lisa Libby for competitions we may want to take part in. During discussion it was suggested that if we sign up for a project or activity to please try to follow through with our participation if at all possible. We have a lot of continuing activities our club takes part in, locally and district wide. We need to not get ourselves too scattered into too many responsibilities. Lisa L will try to put together a comprehensive list of our club commitments and responsibilities for us.

Kathleen Owen suggested we consider trying to bring in a community men's group or youth club group to help with our Dogwood Park clean up. It is becoming harder for us to physically accomplish this on our own. Possible suggestions of groups to contact were American Legion and Boy Scouts. It was also suggested we do our clean up on a Saturday as we might have a better chance with other community groups helping.

Diane Mettler told us about seeing huge Amaryllis bulbs on her recent trip to Amsterdam. She ordered one for her mom, Kathy Mettler, and we were able to see it in full gorgeous bloom. She put forward the idea of ordering a number of these bulbs for the club to grow and possibly sell. Nancy Schank suggested growing them for selling at the Mary Bridge Bazaar event in November/December. Or possibly grow and incorporate into selling at the Art In Bloom event in July. We will consider this idea.

Hill and Dale District Business:

Mary Bewley reminded us our club will be in charge of the kitchen at the annual District Workshop April 30th. We will be responsible for taking in donated salads and cookies from garden clubs and organizing the serving of snacks and lunch, and clean up. We will need a lot of member participation to accomplish this, probably 8-10 people. More information and sign up to follow in February and March.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.
Raffle was held.
Lunch was served by our hostesses.

Program: Presented by Chris Bivins on creating garden art for our gardens.

Members Present:

1. Sharon Aguilar
2. Mary Bewley
3. Sharon Burlingame
4. Linda Evaro
5. Anne Hartman
6. Lisa Hoversten
7. Lisa Libby
8. Diane Mettler
9. Kathy Mettler
10. Kathleen Owen
11. Geneal Palmer
12. Ginny Phillips
13. Nancy Schank
14. Jane Smith
15. Melody Stalk
16. Sammie Jo Thirtyacre

Guests:

1. Claudia Hoversten
2. Rosemary Nordstrom

Minutes recorded by Secretary Ginny Phillips