

Dogwood Garden Club Meeting Minutes June 10, 2021

Business Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by President Diane Mettler at 10:50 am. Thank you to hostess Melody Stalk, and co-hostesses Kathy Carver and Rosemary Nordstrom for having us.

17 members present.

Welcome to 6 guests: Rosie Trujillo, Suzanne, Lacey, Dianne, Tina and Emi.

Motion was made by Lisa Libby and voted by members present to approve the May minutes as read via email or hard copy.

Treasurer's Report given by Treasurer Lisa Libby. With additional sales of some left over plants from our plant sale, the total earned now is \$1,740. This is the last call for collecting dues for the coming year, which is \$25 per member. We have a deadline of July 1st for them to be turned in to the district, etc. Please contact Lisa, 360-492-3007, llibby@centurytel.net if you need to pay your dues for the upcoming year.

Chairman Reports:

Sharon Aguilar, birds committee chairman, reported on a bird cleaning cobwebs off her window screen to use in nest making.

Unfinished Business:

Rosemary Nordstrom, Jane Smith and Katy Hoffman served as our nominating committee for new officers. After checking with all our members for interest in serving, they put together a list of candidates. Diane Mettler has decided to step down as President. The nominated candidates left the room while a vote was taken by members present. Pam Waring moved to accept the slate, Mary Bewley 2nd the motion and it was voted by those present to accept the roster of new officers. Kathy Mettler will be our President, Katy Hoffman our vice-president, Ginny Phillips will continue as secretary and Lisa Libby will continue as treasurer. Thank you to Diane Mettler for her spectacular service of 9 years as our president.

Kathy Mettler reported on our donated bouquets at the cemetery for Memorial Day. Several members brought small bouquets and placed them at the Blue Star Marker/flag area and Kathy took pictures. Usually we put together about 120 tiny bouquets with ribbons attached using flowers collected from our gardens. They are then placed by the Junior gardeners. Because of Covid restrictions we were unable to do this again this year.. Maybe next year we can return to our usual tradition.

Mary Bewley reports the Juniors have been unable to meet and she is unsure of how this club will continue at the school in the coming year because of Covid restrictions. Kathy Bowman, who led this group for so long has continued to encourage young gardeners in her neighborhood, including her own grandchildren, to participate

We all commented on our container growing project progress. Please continue to document with notes and pictures of before, during and after. It is not too late to participate. Plant something up in a container of any size, take pictures and make notes and everyone bring printed photos of your project to our August meeting to share and a choice will be made on the winner of the project.

Diane invited us to attend an open house for her and her husband Chris Bivin's new business "Ohop Originals" . Chris makes ceramics to sell and Diane puts together bouquets from their gardens to deliver. The open house will be at their residence from 10-4 on July 24th.

New Business:

A sign-up sheet was passed for hostess volunteers for 2021-2022.

An interest sheet with a list of meeting presentation topics was passed so we could mark things we were interested in hearing or to add new suggestions for 2021-2022.

Hill and Dale District New Business:

Lisa Libby updated us on District news:

- On July 7th, a district event, "Together Again", will be held at the Puyallup Elks Club, 314 - 27th St NE, Puyallup from 11-3. All garden club members are welcome. The cost of admission is to bring a piece of horticulture in a clear bottle. Label with the name of your horticulture and your name. Lunch will be served.

You do need to sign up to reserve your space. A sign-up sheet was passed or you can contact Sherry Matthews at sherrytom41@comcast.net.

- Pierce County Fair will be live this year at the Pierce County fairgrounds August 12th - 15th. Our district will be in charge of the horticulture building. Sign-up sheets were passed to volunteer for building clean-up and decorating, registering the juniors entries, working with the children's shoe succulent planting activities (2-4pm Thursday through Sunday) and as building hostesses. Lisa still needs donations of shoes, dirt and succulents.
- We have a new District Sunshine person, Chris Sherill. Doris Yuckert has been ill, has retired from that position and now is in assisted living.
- Lisa attended the State Convention and reports Dogwood won several awards: 1st place for Jrs, 2nd place on yearbook for clubs over 30 members, 2nd for our Amaryllis growing project, and 2nd for our Arbor Day participation. More details to follow.

* Our outgoing president Diane Mettler turned over the gavel (which has been in use since 1952) to our new president Kathy Mettler.

* Raffle held.

* Meeting adjourned at 11:50am

* Lunch was served by our hostesses.

Program: Presented by Diane Mettler, " 10 Tips To Harvesting Your Flowers". Special thanks to Diane for stepping in at the last minute to present this topic. Our original speaker, Angie Creech, was unable to attend because of a last minute family emergency. We hope to have her come at a later date.

Members Present:

1. Sharon Aguilar
2. Mary Bewley
3. Kathy Carver
4. Dee Hanson
5. Sherry Hanson
6. Katy Hoffman
7. Beverly Holze
8. Lisa Libby
9. Diane ettler
10. Kathy Mettler
11. Anita Nau
12. Rosemary Nordstrom
13. Geneal Palmer
14. Ginny Phillips
15. Jane Smith
16. Melody Stalk
17. Pam Waring

Guests:

1. Rosie Trujillo
2. Suzanne, friend of Melody
3. Lacey, friend of Melody
4. Dianne, friend of Melody
5. Tina, friend of Melody
6. Emi, friend of Kathy Carver

Minutes recorded by Secretary Ginny Phillips