

**Sand Lake Garden Club
Board Meeting Minutes
February 28, 2018**

President Mary Lee Kopache called the board meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. All board members were present except Eileen VanOort who was excused.

Secretary's Report: Report of 1/28/2018 was approved as e-mailed.

Treasurer's Report: There is \$4,294.09 in the treasury as stated by Mary Hall. About half of the members have paid their 2018 dues. Motion to accept the report was made by Connie Gatt, seconded by Linda Ormsby. All present approved the motion.

Old business: This year the Garden Club has decided to give three \$500 scholarships to Averill Park High School Seniors. Mary Lee shared that a former 2002 recipient of said scholarship expressed his appreciation for the club's generous scholarship. He indicated that he would like to match a \$500 scholarship in the future. Eileen VanOort of the scholarship committee will be contacting Averill Park High School regarding the three scholarships for this year.

Connie Gatt of the Plant Sale committee provided the dates for this year's potting nights: 4/23, 4/30 and 5/7. She will be purchasing the potting soil and stated that more 4" pots were needed for repotting the donated plants. This will be done at the Salem Methodist Church. Plant sale is scheduled for 5/12/2018. Sign up sheets for potting nights will be passed out at the Membership meeting.

Garden Club brochure needs to be updated. Volunteers for doing this will be requested at the Membership meeting.

Sand Lake Library's display case is available to our Garden Club the month of May. Janice Berryann volunteered to decorate this case. Volunteers to help with this will be solicited at the Membership meeting.

Donations to various community organizations were discussed. Motion to donate \$50 to the Corkscrew Trail Project and \$125 to Rensselaer Plateau Alliance was made by Rose Dorr, seconded by Obie Savage. All approved.

New business: Discussion of where this year's holiday party should be held was introduced by Mary Lee. Suggestions included Westfall Café and Paolo Lombardi's. It will be held the first Wednesday, December 5th. Decision on location will be determined at a future Board meeting.

Becky Raymond requests she announce, at the Membership meeting, that she is conducting "Yoga for Gardeners" class. All present agreed to this request.

Mary Lee shared information on Rensselaer Cooperative Extension videos. She stated that they were very informative and will pass on the website CCERensselaer.org at the Membership meeting. Another helpful website for gardening tips is available at www.Gardening.Cornell.EDU.

Meg Distell will give an update on the trip survey at the Membership meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Janice Berryann, secretary

