

**Sand Lake Garden Club Board Meeting
Minutes August 31,2016**

Meeting called to order 6:10 PM

Present: Pat Mulligan, Judy Kasianscuk, Mary Lee Kopache, Connie Gatt, Linda Ormsby and Obie Savage

Excused: Mary Hall, and Joan Gross (meeting notes were taken by Mary Lee Kopache in Mary Hall's absence.)

Secretary's Report: Approved as e-mailed. Motion by Judy Kasianczuk, second by Connie Gatt

Treasurer's Report: Balance is \$3,915.44 as of July 29, 2016 bank statement. Note – the check to nationwide Insurance for \$400.00 has not yet cleared. Judy Kasianczuk has purchased fold-able double bench for next year's plant sale for \$49.00 plus tax – total \$53.99

Approved Motion : Pat Mulligan second: Linda Ormsby

Old Business: none

New Business:

Holiday Party needs a chairperson. Connie Gatt volunteered. Mary Lee Kopache and Linda Ormsby volunteered to do centerpieces and Judy Kasianscuk volunteered to organize door prizes after the question was raised if SLGC could afford door prizes. After consultation with the treasurer it was determined door prizes were to be included in this year's party.

Meeting with area garden clubs – Joan Gross and Pat Mulligan volunteered to meet with Schodack and East Greenbush Garden Club leaders to try to help each other with programming and other ideas such as common concerns of decreasing membership and securing monthly presenters.

Public space garden clean-up – Sign-up sheets were passed at board meeting and plan to be passed at tonight's general membership meeting for the village Triangle, Averill Park Post Office, Butler Park entrance and Sand Lake Center for the Arts. The town library garden is being cleaned by Eileen VanOort and Joan Gross. It was determine the volunteers will decide when to do each area.

September General Membership meeting does *not* have a scheduled presenter at this time.

October General Membership meeting presenter will be Rensselaer County Master Gardener Meg Dristell offering a program entitled “Looking at Your Garden in a New Way”.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:50 PM.