SAND LAKE GARDEN CLUB MEETING March 23, 2016 Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: The Sand Lake Garden Club's meeting was called to order by Vice President Joan Gross who welcomed members and guests. Joan passed around a sign- up sheet for a trip to Wethersfield, June 14 and shared information re: Nassau's Tailgate sale on 4/30.

Treasurer's Report –Connie Gatt reported a checking account balance of \$3,046.85 as of March 15, 2016.

Old Business:

New Business:

Committee reports:

Scholarship Committee – Eileen Van Oort reported that APHS Guidance Department will pick two students to each receive a \$500 scholarship on June 9th at the HS to be given by a SLGC member. Those students and families will be invited to the SLGC July picnic.

Trip Committee – Meg Distill presented information on Wethersfield, an old home with beautiful gardens in Amenia NY, about 1.5 hours from SL. Tour will take about 2.5 hours and members should bring lunch for picnicking outside. Cost is \$12.

Other trip possibilities include Pondside Nursery owned by the evening's guest speaker, Rockland near Canaan, NY and Olana in the fall.

2016 Plant Sale –Phyllis Scheeren said potting nights will be at 6pm at the Salem Methodist Church on 3 successive Mondays, starting April 25. (May 2, 9) Please clean pots before donating them for use; 6" and 8" pots are needed the most.

Suggestions are to seek new club members at the sale, and have materials available alerting buyers to aggressive growers and identifying invasive plants. Raffle ticket books available at this meeting will be available at next meeting and day of sale. Teams are available for digging, set up/down and day of sale work. Linda Ormsby has contacted Boy Scouts to assist as in the past. Phyllis would like SLGC members to keep her updated as to the type and number of plants members will be providing for the sale.

Program: Helen Dolan introduced guest speaker Robert C. Anderson of Pondside Nursery, Hudson, NY who spoke about "The Naturalistic Planting Movement" based somewhat on the ideas of William Robinson in his book *The Wild Garden* that promotes using plants naturally.

Door Prizes by Judy Kasianczuk and Linda Ormsby **Refreshments** by **Eileen** VanOort and Mary Lee Kopache