Sand Lake Garden Club Board Meeting Minutes April 25, 2018

Vice-President Connie Gatt called the board meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present: Judy Kasianczuk, Eileen VanOort, Rose Dorr, Mary Hall, Obie Savage and

Janice Berryann

Excused: Mary Lee Kopache, Linda Ormsby

Secretary's Report: Report of 3/29/2018 was approved as e-mailed.

Treasurers Report: As of 4/25/2018, there is a balance of \$4,184.75. The Silent Auction basket, prepared by Mona DeMay and Joan Gross, was well received at the Rensselaer Plateau Alliances Gala. Treasurer Mary Hall will be selling raffle tickets, for the Plant Sale prizes, at the Membership meeting. Motion to accept the report was made by Rose Dorr, seconded by Connie Gatt. All present approved the motion.

Old business: Discussion on whether to donate three \$500 scholarships to Averill Park High School Seniors was held. Due to anticipated low plant sale receipts, the Club was considering changing the donation to two \$500 scholarships. Motion to keep the three \$500 scholarships this year was made by Connie, seconded by Judy. All present approved.

Eileen VanOort will continue to work on our Holiday Party venue. The two possibilities being considered are Moscatiello's and Westfall Station. The party is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December 5th.

New business: The Sand Lake Town board has requested our club's assistance in designing the landscaping of the new stage at Butler Park. Club members will remove some of the plants from the old stage. Obie Savage volunteered to lead the planning for designing the landscaping of the new stage. Anyone who would like to help out, please contact Obie.

Request from West Sand Lake School in seeking guidance on how to set up a courtyard garden was made. Jean Chenette will relay information on this request at the Membership meeting.

A lively discussion on the Asian jumping worm infestation produced concerns about collecting plants from local gardens for the upcoming plant sale. It was determined that no dug up plants will be collected this year. Annual seedlings, cuttings, houseplants, bulbs and tubers will be accepted. The board will ask Joan Gross to send out an e-mail to the membership, asking for donations of gently used gardening items, gardening themed books, pots, etc. These items will be used in the Plant sale. Information on the Asian worm will be made available to the public at the sale.

Averill Park High School has their community Service Day on May 4th. High School students will be stationed at various places within the community. Twenty of them will be located at the Sand Lake Art Center. Connie will ask at the Membership meeting, if anyone would like to assist with supervising these students. They will be doing outside cleanupraking, weeding, and pruning.

Committee reports: Eileen, of the Scholarship committee will confirm with Averill Park High School that three \$500 scholarships will be sponsored by the SLGC. Connie, from the Plant committee, needs more signs made up for the plant sale. Obie and Rose offered to make one each. Potting night was cancelled for the 23^{rd} . Potting nights for April 30^{th} and May 7^{th} are still on. These will be at the Salem Methodist Church at 6 PM. Cathy Welling prepared a Plant sale poster and these have been placed at various spots around town.

Board meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m. with motion by Obie and seconded by Eileen.

Respectfully submitted by, Janice Berryann, secretary