Sand Lake Garden Club

Board Meeting Minutes for April 22, 2021

The Zoom meeting was called to order by Vice President Kim Tucci at 5:50 PM

Attendance: Kim Tucci, Sally Perry, Cathy Welling, Hollis McEvilly, Rose Dorr, Eileen VanOort. Absent: Janice Berryann, Andy Mace, Judy Kasianczuk, Obi Savage.

Vice President Kim Tucci graciously opened the meeting in the unexpected absence of President Janice Berryann who was away tending to a family matter. Kim expressed appreciation for all the help she received during the day to make the meeting happen, including an approximate agenda.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes for the meeting of March 25, 2021 were accepted, with corrections for the Plant Sale date from May 12 to May 15 and upper case "S" in reference to the Sand Lake Historical Society, after a motion by Cathy Welling, seconded by Sally Perry.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Sally Perry reported that the balance in the SLGC checking account is \$4,603.43. There is one check currently outstanding for the March meeting speaker fee.

Membership update:

Three new members were announced. Carolyn Donnelly signed up on the SLGC website; Jim Snack decided to join after talking to Cathy at a meeting; Sue Zimmer was announced by Hollis.

Current membership stands at 55. Janice and Hollis have been making phone calls about dues with Sally sending some reminder emails. After brief discussion Eileen motioned, seconded by Kim, that in order to comply with the club by-laws, membership decisions be completed by June.

Discussion followed about sending welcome letters to new members. Joan Gross used to do this function. Suggestions for what to write in letters include information on meeting times on the 4th Thursday of the month (with no meeting this May), club emails coming from Joan Grusensky, upcoming events and the webpage. Cathy has sent emails to Jim Snack and Carolyn Donnelly.

Sally has agreed to update the club's master list of members since she is picking up the PO Box mail.

The framed 1500's woodcut:

Eileen reported that last Saturday nobody came to the SLCA and no bids have been made on the woodcut. Kim reported similar results for a previous Saturday of monitoring the item.

Butler Park Cleanup, Brochures and applications:

Cathy has made 20 copies of the refreshed SLGC brochures. Judy is scheduled to sit at a table at Butler Park during the Town-wide Cleanup this Saturday the 24th. Membership applications and the club banner are stored at the SL Town Hall. Judy will need a table and chair along with the

applications and brochures. Kim offered to print applications from the SLGC website if needed. Also, Kim has the list of workers signed up to clean the SLGC gardens.

Town Cleanup Protocol:

Kim reported on the protocol for members participating in the Town Cleanup Day. Wear SLGC tee shirts or sweat shirts, wear a mask and reflective vest available at Butler if you don't have one. Water and granola bars will be available at Butler Park. All are to meet at Butler Park by 8:30 AM with 9 o'clock welcome and safety talk. Pick up bags for debris can be returned to Butler Park for disposal.

Plant Sale Update:

The May 15th Private Plant Sale will be held across the street from Pat's house. Inventory includes a lot of tomatoes, some vegetables and flowers, purple cleome, Rose of Sharon, lettuce, pumpkins, "brownies" and nasturtiums.

Pat needs help mowing a section of lawn where the sale is held; fostering plants as she has run out of room in her green house; trucks for transfer (Mary Lee and Kim).

Programs for this year:

May, June and July have no programs. Do we want to start having in-person meetings? We have no speakers for September and October. Ellen Dunn and Barbara Wyman are the Program Committee.

Summer SLGC Picnic:

The club is looking for a volunteer to host the outdoor picnic in August. There is no Board Meeting at the picnic. A rain date will be needed. Kim volunteered as a back host up for the picnic.

Trip Committee:

Innisfree opens May 12 for general admission on Thursdays and Fridays plus Weekends. The committee suggests the third Thursday in June as a possible date.

Upcoming Member Meeting:

Executive Director Gabrielle Sant'Angelo from the Pine Hollow Arboretum in Slingerlands, followed by Cathy Snyder to introduce us to the new Community Center being planned in the previous Saint Henry's education building in Averill Park.

Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM with motion made by Hollis, seconded by Sally.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Dorr, Co-Secretary