

Edelweiss Garden Club

2015 Annual Business Meeting

Held at the University Center

September 9 2015

1. The meeting was called to order by President Sue Hegarty at 10:30am with 26 members and 2 guests present.

2. after the pledge of Allegiance, Merrily introduced author Mary Agria who read from her books and spoke of their meeting.

2. The August 12 minutes were corrected with the addition of number of members attending and misspelling of Irrer, Fustinis and Agria. Motion to approve as corrected by Joan Collick second by Roseann

Kujawa. Motion approved.

3. Names drawn for reimbursement of fee for the District V meeting were Jane Mead, Loan Collick, Jeanne Fremouth, Carol Brown and Linda Reinhardt.

4. President Report

a. Read a very moving Thank You from Marge Williamson for all the cards of sympathy on the death of her son.

c. The by laws committee changes will be reviewed by the board then brought before the membership.

d. The 4F's was pretty successful and hopes for better attendance in the spring. A chairperson is needed

e. A motion was made by Sue Symkowiak, second by Jeanne Fremouth to eliminate the awards committee. Motion approved.

1st V.P. Denise Mattini

a. There are now 50 members, a gain of 4, loss of 8 since January

b. A tea will be held Sept. 25 by Beta Sigma Fi sorority with proceeds to the library

c. Honorary Membership was explained after a question. Discussion tabled after a motion by Caryl Irrer seconded by Margaret Albert.

Motion approved

2nd V.P. Merrily Sterrett

a. Our next meeting will be held at the Sportsplex October 14

b. There will be a field trip Oct. 21 Fustinis in Petoskey where they will show different ways to dress salads. A sign up sheet is being passed.

c. Merrily thanked the members for suggested programs and has them scheduled thru May

2nd V.P Caryl Irrer

a. September birthdays celebrated

b. Read a Thank You note from the scholarship recipient. He will be studying entomology (insects) and will be sent to the papers for publication.

c. Board Rating given out to members

d. Post cards given out to give to gardens that members like

e. Stickers passed for book corrections

f. \$51 collected for the food pantry. Motion made by Linda Kirkpatrick second by Caryl Irrer to give the money to Crop Walk instead. Motion defeated

Treasurer Linda Reinhardt

a. The treasury balance is \$5447.75

b. The audit was done August 24, 2015 and approved

c. Presented the checkbook on the overhead screen showing income and expensed with the ending balance. We spent \$1000 more than was brought in.

d. A copy of the budget that was approved by the board was shown on the overhead screen. Discussion on still using Dairy Doo (\$600). Motion made by Joan Collick second by Betty Hartman to soil test the gardens at a cost of \$25 per garden. Motion failed. Margaret Albert suggested North Star Nursery be contacted for soil testing. Garden Chairs to decide on soil additives needed for individual gardens

Committee Chairs

a. Plant Exchange Ann Kureth Will be held September 19. Please bring plants by 9am.

b. Historian Betsy Mitchell. Brought her computer to show pictures to be added to the scrapbook. Lois Kalis spoke with Sally Jarvis' granddaughter about missing scrapbooks. Sally has 100 of them at the farm and the granddaughter will for them over the winter.

c. Garden Chair Joan Collick. Clean up of the gardens should be done by the 2nd week of October but individual garden chairs can decide on their date

d. Sue Symkowiak reported the Hydrangea Garden at the Energy Outlet will be dismantled

e. Darlene Widger reported the Library Showcase is done and highlights club membership

f. Caryl Irrer will be resigning as Publicity chair by January

g. Greens Sale needs a co chair since Barbara Head resigned from the club

h. Habitat is suspended for this year since there is not a house being built. Linda Reinhardt will give Betsy Mitchell the binder on homes that have been done. i. Motion made by Joan Collick second by Dee Burau that club history be done by year. Motion approved

Meeting adjourned at 12:05

Submitted by
Carol Brown