

Edelweiss Garden Club
March 10,215

President Sue Hagerty called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.
After the Pledge of Allegiance, new member Sue Brown was introduced.

Presidents Report:

sign in for sun catcher project and Isobella's Kitchen
called attention to the article in Thru the Garden Gate on our Habitat for Humanity projects
received a thank you letter from the VFW for the \$160 donation to be used for their building center
called attention to Marilyn McIntosh's winning design in "Beat Goes On" flower show. Marilyn placed 1st in both NGC Judges Designer Choice and Award of Design Excellence
a reminder there will be a Michigan Garden Club Landscape Design Class on April 13
need input on not enough people to staff our gardens (51 positions, 45 active members)

Officers Reports:

Treasurer - \$7188 in our accounts
All other Officers absent

Committee Reports:

Scholarship - no applicants yet
Garden Walk - 6 gardens have been chosen
Sun catcher project for the state convention will be finished next Wednesday at the sportsplex starting at 10 am

By Law Revisions:

Page	Article	Section	Original.	Revised
36	111	2	EGC has 3 classes of members. Active,Associate,Life	EGC has 3 classes of members Active, Associate, Honorary

Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Sue Symkowiak
Explanation given of difference
Motion approved

36	IV	5	Secretary keeps minutes of all meetings	Recording Secretary keeps minutes of all meetings
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Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, Second by Diane Shelden
Motion approved

37	IX	1	The Nomination Committee Shall present a list of candidates at the September meeting to be voted on at the October meeting	The Nomination Committee shall present a list of candidates at the March meeting to be voted on at the April meeting
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Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Sue Symkowiak
Explained this is needed because of the change in our fiscal year
Motion approved

Operational Procedures Revisions:

Page	Article	Section.	Original	Revised
37	IX	3rd	Elected members will take office In June of the next year	Elected members will take office in June
Motion made by Sue Symkowiak, second by Jane Mead				
Discussion, none				
Motion approved				
38	I	1	The EGC has 3 classes of membership, Active, Associate, Life	The EGC has 3 classes of membership, Active, Associate, Honorary
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Darlene Winger				
Discussion: To clear up confusion with MGC Life Membership				
Motion approved				
38	I	2	Active member requirements 1-6	Add number 7 to read: Purchases or sells at least 2 Garden Walk tickets
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Mirjia Hoeft				
Discussion: not all members can afford to buy, members who work the walk cannot travel to the homes				
Motion failed				
38	I	3	Associate memberships are for members who wish to contribute to the mission of the garden club but are unable to continue active participation	Associate memberships are for members who wish to contribute to the mission of the garden club by regular meeting attendance, committee participation and annual payment of dues
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling , second by Jane Mead				
Discussion:				
Motion approved				
39	I	3	An Associate Member number 1-5	eliminate entire paragraph
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling , second by Rose Gleason				
Discussion: amended to keep paragraph but eliminate numbers 3 and 4				
Motion approved as amended				
39	I	4	Life memberships are conferred,	Honorary memberships are conferred,
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Jeannie Freymouth				
Discussion: To conform with wording				
Motion approved				

Operational Procedures (cont.)

Page	Article	Section.	Original	Revised
39	I	4	Life members are entitled to all rights and privileges of the EGC and pay active member dues	Honorary members are entitled (but not required) to all rights and privileges of the EGC and continue to pay active member dues
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling , second by Sue Symkowiak Discussion: to conform with wording Motion approved				
39	li	I	(2) Second Vice Presidents	Eliminate (2) Second Vice Presidents
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Diane Sheldon Discussion: there are no longer (2) Second Vice Presidents Motion approved				
39	lii	4	Elections occur in October with the term beginning in June	Elections occur in April with term beginning in June
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Jeannie Freymouth Discussion: To conform with fiscal year Motion approved				
39	III	5	The President, two (2) 2nd Vice presidents,	Remove (2)and (s) 2nd Vice presidents.....
Motion made by Sue Symkowiak, second by Margaret Ward Discussion: To conform with previous wording Motion approved				
40	IV	7	All contracts (including any changes there of) must be signed by thee EGC members in any financial transaction involving an entity other EGC. Copies must be filed with the President and Treasurer before payment can be made. The Executive Board received notification of all Contracts signed at the quarterly meeting.	All written contracts including financial transactions in excess of \$499 must be approved by the executive board of the EGC before execution
Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Margaret Ward Discussion: members felt that is too large amount of money for anyone to spend without prior approval. Motion amended by Cynthia Hilling , second by Diane Sheldon to read: Anything over \$50.00 that does not appear in the approved budget be voted on by the membership. Motion approved as amended				

Operational Procedures (cont)

Page	Article	Section.	Original	Revised
40	VI	1	All active members are eligible to vote Motion made by Rose Gleason, second by Jane Mead Discussion: none Motion approved	All members are eligible to vote
40	VII	1	Add to top of page 41 Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Sue Brown Discussion: there should not be a specific number of board members Motion amended by Cynthia Hilling second by Sue Brown to read : Majority of the executive board shall constitute a quorum Motion approved as amended	Section 2 five (5) members the executive board shall constitute a quorum
42	XI	(5)	appoints (3) auditors in October,,,,, Motion made by Cynthia Hilling , second by Rose Glesaon Discussion: to conform with fiscal year Motion approved	appoints (3) auditors in March
42	XI	(12)	publishes a newsletter 4 times a year Motion made by Jane Mead, second by Margaret Ward Discussion: none Motion approved	eliminate (12) and re number to total 16
44	XI	3	(3) prepares ensuing year's program schedule by March 1 with names and titles of each program for publication in the yearbook Motion made by Jeannie Freymouth, second by Linda Reinhardt Discussion:to conform with fiscal year Motion approved	prepares programs quarterly
45	XI	4	Second Vice President (Hospitality) Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Diane Sheldon Discussion: none Motion approved	Eliminate entire section 4 And re number sections accordingly to total 8 instead of 9

Motion made by Cynthia Hilling, second by Sue Brown to rejoin the Chamber of Commerce.
Discussion:two of the new members found EGC through the Chamber. We did not get much
from the Pure Michigan ad.
Motion approved

Meeting adjourned at 11:56

Submitted by
Carol Brown