

Evening Garden Club Board Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2020

Zoom meeting

Participants: Dan Edge, and Sally Olson-Edge, Nancy Sarpola, Marie Flamme, Kathleen Rochester, Jackie Calvert, Earl and Linda Hadfield, Ruby Moon

Treasurer's Report: There were no expenses during the past month. Balance is \$8,652.66.

New officers: There are still open positions for President, Co-secretary, and Newsletter. Harriet Plumley has volunteered for the position of Co-treasurer.

Melissa Cowan is working on arranging tours in both private gardens and nurseries. Recommended social distancing will be required.

Fall festival: due to uncertainty regarding scheduling of Fall Festival, it was decided to wait until June to make a decision about ordering bulbs. If Fall Festival will not be held the club could still sell bulbs online.

Investment: The club has a large amount of funds on hand. The board will investigate the possibility of investing some or these funds in the Oregon Clean Power Cooperative. It was agreed to invite Dan Orzech to the next board meeting to discuss how this type of investment works.

Club activities: Jennifer Klammer completed new plantings at the Corvallis Boys and Girl's Club outdoor planters on behalf of EGC. She is willing to continue being responsible for these planters.

Ruby suggested the club begin a new outreach to help members or community gardeners with their gardening chores if they become unable to work in their gardens due to illness or other reasons. Ruby proposed the name "Garden Angels" for this activity. Various ideas were discussed about how to make this a successful activity for our community. It was agreed that it would not be restricted to club members but open to all gardeners. Each request for help could be publicized through Trumpetvine. Dan and Sally will work on creating specific guidelines before sending this information out on Trumpetvine.

Linda suggested another activity "What is this plant?" that could be done online. A club member would challenge other members to identify a specific plant, gradually revealing hints (such as descriptions and pictures) to see if members can figure out what the plant is.

Respectfully Submitted by Jackie Calvert, co-secretary