

Minutes of the October 28, 2024 Board Meeting of the Evening Garden Club (EGC)

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran church, with EGC President Nancy Haldeman presiding. Other board members present were: Nancy Mandel, Bonnie Burkart, Janet Klingler, Gayle Parrish, Sheryl Thorburn, and Becca Smith.

Minutes: A motion passed to approve the September 30, 2024 board meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report and Expenditures: A motion passed to accept the September 2024 treasurer's financial report. The Corvallis EGC had a total of \$11,194.15 as of 09/30/2024. Co-Treasurer, Janet Klingler reports that, in the future, Oregon State Credit Union (OSCU) may require additional documentation and signatures to add in-coming EGC treasurers to existing accounts. The board will review any necessary changes to the EGC Policies and Procedures.

EGC Website Report: On October 12, 2024, Nancy Haldeman, Nancy Mandel, Janet Klingler, and Gayle Parrish (EGC liaison with webmaster Bekki Levien) met to discuss the EGC website. The committee discussed ways to consolidate membership lists, new member application, and which website changes will need to go through Gayle prior to webmaster. The possibility of online payment of dues will be explored further. This committee will meet periodically to ensure the website is up-to-date.

Membership List: Janet Magedanz will go through and correct any discrepancies on the EGC membership list.

Dues: Membership dues should be received by January 1, 2025. Members will be encouraged to pay dues on time.

Homegrown National Park (HNP): Nancy H. visited the current HNP project site at 520 NW 4th Street in Corvallis (Monarch on 4th). Phase I is underway, with a total of 5 phases planned. The HNP committee will continue fundraising outside of EGC. Nancy H. will follow up regarding agreements for future maintenance of the Monarch on 4th project.

NPK Kiosk: EGC member Ana Demorest is the new coordinator for this program.

Greens Party: Our annual Greens Party will be held on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at the Benton County Fairgrounds in collaboration with the Benton County Master Gardeners. Janet Magedanz is coordinating this event.

Fundraising/Grants Donation Box: A receptacle for grant donations will be available at each in-person EGC general meeting.

Additional Items: Requests have been made from outside interests to add links to the EGC website. The board unanimously agreed that no outside links will be placed on the EGC website. Garden related information may be included in the newsletter and/or Trumpetvine.

It was suggested that “pop-up” Zoom presentations would be a good way for project committees to share information and updates. HNP has prepared a PowerPoint and site plan with details about the current project.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, November 25, 2024 at 2:00pm at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:37

Submitted by Becca Smith, EGC secretary