

**BRIAR CHAPEL GARDEN CLUB
MEETING NOTES
October 8, 2019**

Laurie convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Financial Report (Liz)

The current balance is \$5400. Additional revenue of \$800-\$1000 is expected. The projected ending balance for the current fiscal year is \$6500-\$7000. A suggestion was made to provide a month-to-month comparison. Liz will compile a year end summary.

Membership (Stacey)

Currently, there are 35 household memberships for next year. Alyssa will continue to advertise the club. Last year, at the end of the year, there were 50 memberships on record.

New members, Joanne and Steve Kilb were introduced.

Club Governance (Laurie)

Nominations for next year's officers are being accepted. The club must have officers in order to qualify as a club, per HOA requirements, or the club will be disbanded. Nominees will be published on the club's website. If dues are paid by the November meeting, the member is eligible to vote in the election at the November meeting. Laurie called for nominations for President from the floor. Laurie nominated David Whitehouse for Co-President. David is a wildlife biologist and a forester. He enjoys land management. He was employed by the National Paper Company for 25 years. Currently, he works as Forest Operation Manager for the Conservation Fund and will retire from his position at the end of the year. No additional nominees for the position of Co-President came forward.

Laurie called for nominations for the remaining officer positions. Marie Rape was nominated to fill the position of Secretary and Marcia Rackliffe was nominated as Treasurer. Marcia discussed the Safety Committee and reminded members that there is a first aide kit in the shed.

Julie recommended that open positions be announced at the Harvest Dinner. Sue Pflum made a motion to extend the nomination period for another month. Marcia seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Harvest Dinner (Julie Wagner)

Julie announced that more vegetable dishes were needed for the dinner. She will bring a warmer. Fifty-three people signed up to attend the event. One or two more volunteers are needed to set up. Maureen and the flower ladies need vases to be donated for the tables. RSVP's are needed by October 20. It is expected that eight tables will be needed to accommodate all in attendance. Julie will be selling pepper jelly. Leila has jars to give to Julie.

Bulb Sale (Liz)

Sales to date total \$370. Most buyers were club members. Members were encouraged to talk with neighbors about the sale. The deadline for orders is October 28. Julie recommended that the sale be posted on the BC Parent Facebook Page.

Planting Report (Laurie)

Arugula and spinach have been replanted. Textile was laid in strips where the squash used to be to provide for narrower planting rows. Compost was added for mounds.

There are still peppers, field peas, and butter beans to be harvested as they are about done. Chard, kale, spinach, collards, and lettuce are available. Turnips are in Briar Patch. Garlic will be planted soon.

A workday is scheduled on Saturday in Briar Patch. Water will be turned off on October 21. Members were reminded not to leave green waste in a recyclable bag in the shed. There is a rodent issue. Laurie has reached out to Myatt to pick up recyclables. Members were reminded not to compost pumpkins. Julie Wagner explained how she contracts with a company to pick up her compost for \$6.50 per week.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.