

Briar Chapel Garden Club Minutes
September 8, 2026

Rick opened the meeting at 7:15 pm.

Minutes

- Jane made a motion to approve the August minutes and Marcel seconded. The group approved the prior meeting minutes.

Financial Report: Treasurer unable to attend, Rick gave a short update

- Income in August = \$100.38 (membership fees)
- Total expenses in August = \$443
- Current balance = \$2285
- The flower sale and upcoming membership drive will soon replenish our accounts.

Flower Sale: Ellen gave an update

- With 6 weeks of advertising to date, orders are coming in at a steady pace.
- There is 1 wknd left for orders to come in.
- We've hit the lower tier price on mums with 159 sold to date.
- 58 ornamental cabbages and 25 flats of mixed pansies have also been sold.
- Not many orders from Encore despite advertising. One possible obstacle for Encore residents may be pick up and transportation home of plants. The flower sale team has offered delivery service for them.
- Recommend taking picture of mums once blooming to give side by side view of a mum from Lowes of same price or size.

Garden: Rick gave an update

- Great turnout at the workday this past weekend. Paths cleaned up and look great.
- Lettuce coming up in 3 beds, ready to cut and eat
- Other vegies ready include some of the radishes, kale, arugula, bell peppers
- Chalkboards in each garden list what is ready.
- Wknd close to Halloween we will plant onions and garlic for next spring crops

New business

- Marie announced there will be a Plant Sale and Garden Festival at Blackwood Park near Hillsborough on Oct 10th from 9am – 3pm
- Harvest dinner set for 10/25; theme: enchanted gardens, will use fall colors – purple.
- At Oct meeting, we will discuss a sign-up genius for harvest dinner food and plan for making floral arrangements.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm: Cindy made a motion to adjourn and Estelle seconded.

Minutes prepared by Marie Rape