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Calusa Garden Club May 6, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Call to Order by President Susan Neustadt at 10:01 a.m.
Quorum (eight attendees plus three officers)

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Prior Month Board Meeting Minutes by consensus: Approved by consensus

Officer Reports

- President Susan Neustadt
 - Calendar Review
 - Discussion on meeting times for general membership meetings (Second Monday)
 - 11:00 Meeting
 - 12:00 Lunch
 - 1:00 Speaker
 - Discussion on an extended calendar to go beyond April 2021 through the summer of 2021
 - Linda Schwoeppe was appointed to chair the Summer Program Committee to lengthen the calendar with additional meetings
- First Vice President and Program Chair Kim Porter
 - Any suggestions from Board of Directors
 - Kim is interested in having topics ideas shared with her.
 - Possible opportunity to visit On the Hoof-Florida at the Immokalee Pioneer Museum at Roberts Ranch on Wednesday June 16th. More details will be forthcoming.
- Second Vice President and Membership Chair Monique Doyle
 - Member Count
 - 55 Active members
 - 8 Associate Members
 - Limit of 59 Members for the Club
- Treasurer Annette Kuhn
 - Disbursements/Income and final balance
 - Expenses \$6400
 - Income \$3700
 - Ending Balance \$18713.44
- Assistant Treasurer Margie Bramel
 - Audit and Budget Plan meeting May 19
 - Budget Requests to Margie prior to May 19th

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- Recording Secretary Laura Furlong
- Corresponding Secretary Joan Husband
 - ALF address for Vivian Star-e-mailed 5/4

Standing Committee Reports

- Blue Zones Project Sharon Lewis
 - Will showcase a member each month in the newsletter
 - Monthly updates will continue in the newsletter
- Calusa Park Butterfly Garden Susan LaGrotta
- Environment Maria Bachich
- Field Trips VACANT
 - One Planned for February
 - Need Committee Chair
- Flower Show (2023) VACANT
- Floral Design-Hints and Workshops Lindy Kowalczyk
 - Hints at monthly meetings
 - Workshops held one week later
- Florida Arbor Day Linda Columbo
- Horticulture-Hints and Workshops Linda Schwoeppe
 - Hints at monthly meetings
 - Workshops held one week later
- Hospitality Margy Bruckman
 - Will use last year's sign up for people to bring food to the first meeting in October
- Junior Gardeners Donna Kay
 - Unsure if we will meet next year
- Marco Towne Center Plantings Sharon Lewis
 - Recommendations have been given to the Marco Towne Center
- Newsletter Amy Ruiz
 - Due First Monday of the Month beginning in October

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- Parliamentary Procedure Dale DeFeo
- Publicity/Archives Sara Wolf
 - Scrap Books
- Special Events Janice Engel
 - Holiday Party-December 9 at MIYC in the evening
- Special Projects Bonnie Colman
 - Possible community workshop on December 15 at the Public Library
- Veterans Memorial at Marco Island Cemetery Sara Wolf
 - The committee has met to develop the design. Sara will send out a note for people who are interested in planting.
- Ways and Means Sara Wolf
 - Please share any ideas for possible fund raisers.
 - Thanksgiving Plant Sale-November 23rd
 - Home and Garden Tour 2022-possible last week in March. More information will be forthcoming.
- Website Linda Colombo
 - Board discussion on new platform and cost
 - The committee is attempting to get bids for website redesign, and it will come to the board for final approval.
- Yearbook Eva Kubinsky
 - Please send yearbook information to President by August 15th
 - There will be 75 copies

Special Committee Reports

- Camperships and Scholarships Marianne Foley
 - May 26th is the award ceremony, and the membership will be notified of the event details.
- Facebook Susan LaGrotta
- Flowers in Public Places Opi DeFalco
 - May use arrangements created in workshops
- Gadabouts Sue Oldershaw

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- Memorial Markers Linda Columbo

New Business

- Get together at Kim Porter's home on Wednesday August 18th evening (bring food to share)
- FFGC Project
 - Due June 1, 2021
 - Just Your Type-a guide to flower arranging styles and types-sent in 5/4 e-mail
- Awards nominations for club work
 - Marco Town Center
 - Nature Preserve
 - Veterans Memorial
 - Butterfly Garden
- Facebook District IX FFGC Facebook site. (FFGC District 9) There is much information on this Facebook.
- Dale thanked the Calusa Garden Club for sponsoring the District IX meeting.

Old Business

- By Laws Review
 - Meeting May 7th
 - Discussion of dues with the board

Meeting Adjourned 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Laura Furlong, Secretary

Approved: Susan Nuestadt, President