

Approved January 10,2021

**CALUSA GARDEN CLUB OF MARCO ISLAND
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 6, 2021 10:00 a.m.**

1. Call to Order: Quorum is seven Committee Chairmen (or the Committee Chairman's designated substitute) PLUS three Officers. Kimberly Porter, Susan Neustadt, Nancy Adams, Donna Kay, Sharon Lewis, Opi DeFalco, Sara Wolf, Monique Doyle, Joan Husband, Laura Furlong, Annette Kuhn
2. Approval of Minutes from November 8, 2021. Board Meeting Minutes approved with Gala date changed to 12/7.
3. Officer Reports
 - 3.1 President – Susan Neustadt
 - 3.2 First VP – Programs – Kim Porter
Next speaker is Alice White (President of People for Trees) to talk about native trees in January. Alice will bring a donated tree for the club to plant in our community. The club will give her a small donation.
 - 3.3. Second VP-Membership- Monique Doyle
Approval of new members: Claudia Bruni, Maureen McFarland and Joann Carroll. They will be inducted at the January meeting.
 - 3.4 Treasurer – Annette Kuhn – November Cash Flow
Total cash flow was \$3,717.81
Check book total \$17,932.64
 - 3.5 Assistant Treasurer – Margie Bramel
 - 3.6 Recording Secretary – Laura Furlong
 - 3.7 Corresponding Secretary – Joan Husband
 - 3.8 Parliamentary Procedure Advisor – Linda Colombo
4. Standing Committee Reports
 - 4.1 Awards -Opi DeFalco – The current year will give the club the opportunity to submit applications for awards for events taking place in this current year.
 - 4.2 Civic Beautification – Opi DeFalco – Linda Colombo to plan Arbor Day Club Event which is the 3rd Friday in January Linda will be coordinating the planting and the event. Linda will send out a memo to the board about the details.
The board approved to increase the budgeted amount to \$250 for the Arbor Day tree planting to procure a tree and the physical planting of the tree at the event.
 - 4.3 Communications – Nancy Adams – discussion regarding Newsletter and web site
 - 4.4 Community Education and Outreach – Donna Kay – Volunteers needed for December Library Floral Design Program 12/15/21 (Sara Wolf). Sara will share the sign up at the Gala.

4.5 Member Enrichment – Sharon Lewis – NO REPORT

4.6 Member Events – Janice Engel – NO REPORT

4.7 Ways and Means – Sara Wolf – Plant Sale Report of Results

The Plant Sale was a great success. Many thanks to all the members who donated and helped with the day. The total net profit for the event was \$2217.55. Sara has collected feedback for planning the event next year.

There will be a field trip February 1, 2021 to Selby Gardens leaving at 8:30 and returning at 5:00. This is community event so members may invite their friends and will serve as a fund raiser for the club.

5. Unfinished Business

5.1 Report of Website Redesign – Sara Wolf

Sara shared the committee's report on the website evaluation and redesign.

The Board of Directors approved the acknowledgement and waiving of the conflict of interest of J2 Golf as a vendor for the website redesign project approved.

The Board of Directors approved moving forward with the project in 2022 to redesign the website and budget for it in the 2022 budget.

The Board of Directors approved to use J2 Golf if the membership approves to redesign the website after the January meeting.

Sara and the committee will present the need for the website redesign and seek feedback from the membership on the Calusa Garden Club website at the January 10th meeting during the lunch hour.

6. New Business

6.1 Care of Plants at Marco Island Cemetery Veteran's Memorial – Sara Wolf

Sara will ask membership if anyone is interested in taking over the maintenance this new Veteran's Memorial.

6.2 Conflict of Interest Cache Cleaners

The Board of Directors approved the acknowledgement and waiving the conflict of interest in using Cache Cleaners as a vendor.

6.3. Finalized By-Laws on Website

Linda Columbo requested to have Sara Wolf update the finalized by-laws and Linda will put on the website.

Meeting adjourned 11:47 a.m.

NEXT MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

- **Tuesday, December 7: Gadabouts to Edison & Ford Winter Estates**
- **Tuesday, December 7: Holiday Gala Event, Yacht Club**

- **Monday, December 13: 10:00 a.m. Floral Design Workshop**
- **Monday, December 13: 1:00 p.m. Horticulture Workshop**
- **Wednesday, December 15: 1:30 p.m. Floral Design Presentation at Marco Island Library**
- **Saturday, December 18: Butterfly Garden Work Group**
- **Monday, January 10, 2022: BOD Meeting, 10:00 a.m.**

Approved: Susan Nuestadt, President

Respectfully Submitted: Laura Furlong, Recording Secretary

Approved February 14, 2022

**CALUSA GARDEN CLUB OF MARCO ISLAND
MEMBER MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 10, 2022 11:00 a.m.**

1. Call to Order: at 11:05 a.m.
2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 7, 2021 and approval of Meeting Minutes November 8, 2021 Meeting**
3. Officer Reports
 - 3.1 President – Susan Neustadt
 - a. Marco Beautification Advisory Committee Nature Night 2/16/22 at City Hall 5:30-7:30 p.m.
The Club has been asked to have a table at this event to build awareness of the Calusa Garden Club. Volunteers for the evening should contact Susan.
 - b. Archives
Susan would like a committee to plan the 40th Anniversary Celebration that would also assess the need for the archives. Jean Schultz and Linda Columbo will chair the event and work with Susan on the archives. Special Events could support the celebration as well.
 - c. If you have COVID questions, please do not reach out to Susan and follow CDC guidelines.
 - d. Raffle items will be one winner for each event.
 - 3.2 First VP – Programs – Kim Porter
Speaker today is AliceWhite from People for Trees. People for Trees focuses on sharing information on planting native trees in our area.
 - 3.3 Second VP – Monique Doyle – Induction of 3 new members:
Jo-Ann carroll
Maureen McFarland
Jean Schultz
 - 3.4 Treasurer – Annette Kuhn
 - 3.5 Assistant Treasurer – Margie Bramel
The Cash Flow statement for November 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 was reviewed with total Cash Inflows of \$7,616.06 and Cash Outflows of \$6,235.00 for a positive cash flow of \$1,380.55.
 - 3.6 Recording Secretary – Laura Furlong
 - 3.7 Corresponding Secretary – Joan Husband
Thank you for all the raffle items were completed by Jen.
 - 3.8 Parliamentary Procedure Advisor – Linda Colombo
4. Standing Committee Reports
 - 4.1 Awards -Opi DeFalco – NO REPORT
 - 4.2 Civic Beautification – Opi DeFalco –

Linda Colombo is working with the City of Marco Island on an Arbor Day Event which will be held on Friday, January 21, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at Leigh Plummer Park. The Club has donated a Pigeon Plum native tree to be planted. Please join us for the event with an optional lunch following.

- 4.3 Communications – Nancy Adams
 - a. Web site redesign
Sara Wolf presented an outline of the committee’s work and proposal for the web site redesign to the membership. The membership will vote on the proposal at the February 14, 2021 meeting.
 - b. February newsletter will be done by Sara Wolf. Please send all information for this newsletter to Sara.
- 4.4 Community Education and Outreach – Donna Kay
Sara Wolf shared report on December Library Floral Design Program. The program had 24 community attendees and many club members as volunteers.
- 4.5 Member Enrichment – Sharon Lewis
 - a. Maria Bachich-Environmental Reports and workshops
At each table there are handouts on “Environmental Issues in our Own Backyard”.
 - b. Floral Design Workshop-Connie Lowery and Jackie Purvis designing with wool to add texture and form. Sign up sheet available.
Horticulture Hint and workshop Linda Schwoepppe-Tillandsia work shop at Linda’s Home. Sign up sheet available.
 - c. Gadabouts-Jen Ferrier-Trip on January 26 to Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary (natural protected area, walkway and observation tower). Bring your own lunch and water. Sign up sheet available.
 - d. Marco Town Center Plaza area has been replanted with support of the Calusa Garden Club (near Margarita Restaurant). Open House February 10th 2-6:00 p.m.
- 4.6 Member Events – Janice Engel
Thanks for all the volunteers for assisting with the Gala. Please respond to the survey asking for feedback which will be in the next newsletter.
- 4.7 Ways and Means – Sara Wolf
 - a. Selby Gardens (Sarasota, FL) tour will take place on February 1, 2022 departing 8:30 from the Lutheran Church and returning 5:30. All guests are welcome. Sign up on Eventbrite. Guests and friends are welcome.
Volunteers Needed: Sign up sheet available
 - i. Hospitality – purchase snacks and drinks and paper goods for the bus and serving them
 - ii. Soliciting Lunch Orders
 - b. Naples Garden Show-March 18 and 19th-Volunteers needed to sit at the table to educate public on the Calusa Garden Club. Sign up sheets available.
 - c. Volunteers Needed for Garden Tour (date to be finalized the week of March 28-April 3)

Volunteers opportunities include:

- i. Transportation-25 person buses
- ii. Garden Guides with horticulture information at each house
- iii. Assist home gardeners with tasks in the week prior to the event
- iv. Hospitality

New Business:

Maureen McFarland agreed to take 2 Gardening Guide boxes from Eva to store at her home.

Thanks to the committee for bringing food for the luncheon today.

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

NEXT MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

- **Monday, January 17: 10:00 a.m. Floral Design Workshop**
- **Monday, January 17: 1:00 p.m. Horticulture Workshop**
- **Friday, January 21: Florida Arbor Day**
- **Wednesday, January 26: Gadabouts – Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary**
- **Saturday, January 29: 8:30 a.m. Butterfly Garden Work Group**
- **Tuesday, February 1: Field Trip to Marie Selby Gardens**
- **Monday, February 14: 10 a.m. Board and Member Meeting**

Approved: Susan Nuestadt, President

Respectfully Submitted: Laura Furlong, Recording Secretary