

Approved March 14, 2022

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

1. Call to Order: at 10:01 a.m. Quorum present. Attending: Sharon Lewis, Monique Doyle, Janice Engel, Kimberly Porter, Donna Kay, Opi DeFalco, Linda Colombo, Nancy Adams, Sara Wolf, Margie Bramel
2. **Minutes from December 6, 2021, Board Meeting Approved**
3. Officer Reports
  - 3.1 President – Susan Neustadt
    - a. If you have COVID questions, please do not reach out to Susan and follow CDC guidelines.
    - b. Marco Beautification Advisory Committee Nature Night 2/16/22  
Held at City Hall from 5:30-7:30  
Representatives from several local organizations will be in attendance.  
Sara Wolf will chair the committee.  
**Board approved participating in the Marco Beautification Advisory Committee Nature Night on February 16, 2022**
    - b. Archives and the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
**Board approved the development of a committee and to request a chairperson to host the 40th Anniversary Celebration. This committee will decide how to manage the archives.**
  - 3.2 First VP – Programs – Kim Porter  
Alice White-People for Trees will present on Best Trees to Plant in our Area. The club is donating a \$100 for her program.
  - 3.3 Second VP – Monique Doyle – Induction of 3 new members.  
**Board approved Jean Schultz as a new member.**  
Total membership would be 53 and 9 associates.
  - 3.4 Treasurer – Annette Kuhn – December Cash Flow
  - 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.  
There were additional expenses for the library program.
  - 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 – 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. Newsletter format – Nancy prefers all information sent in a format other than PDF.
  - b. Web site redesign – Sara Wolf will present the proposal to the general members at the meeting today. Sara has a handout for the member meeting. Membership will vote on the expenditure at the February meeting. John (proposed vendor) can come to the February meeting.
  - C. In February all communications will go to Sara Wolf who will do the newsletter for Nancy Adams.
- 4.4 Community Education and Outreach – Donna Kay – Sara Wolf to report on December Library Floral Design Program. The turnout of 24 community members was very well received. Thanks to members who volunteered.
- 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 Schwoeppe-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-Sharon, Eva and Monique (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.  
Luncheon April in Paris-there will be a program.
- 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
    - iii. Garden Guides with horticulture information at each house
    - iv. Assist home gardeners with tasks in the week prior to the event
  - b. Naples Garden Show-March 18 and 19th-Volunteers needed to sit at the table to educate public on the Calusa Garden Club.
    - i. Sign up for the shifts will be on the back table
    - ii. Will send our gardening guides
    - iii. Eva and Linda Schwoeppe will set up some display items

- 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
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Meeting adjourned 10:53 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 Meeting**

**Signed: Susan Nuestadt, President**

**Respectfully Submitted: Laura Furlong, Secretary**

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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.
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Thank you for all the raffle items were completed by Jen.
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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.
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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.

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