

Minutes from February 11, 2012 CVIDS meeting at Marion Library

Submitted by Donna Denly, Secretary

Club President, Zora Ronan, called the meeting to order at 1 pm. There were 46 members in attendance.

Program:

Our meeting opened with Master Gardener, Jay McWherter, sharing information on Hosta Virus X. It was a very informational meeting with a wonderful slide show of both healthy and infected Hostas. He concluded his presentation with some excellent nature photography.

Business meeting:

The business meeting started around 2:15 pm. President, Zora Ronan, extended a welcome to our new members attending (Carol Hodgden, Sue Kramer, Sharon Lynch-Voparil, Diann Pavelka, and LeAnn Pisarik). Zora mentioned that Keith Riewerts would be available afterwards to take pictures of anyone not in our photo directory. There will be updated sheets for the booklet later in the year.

The amended minutes for the January 2012 meeting, provided as a handout, were approved. (1st & 2nd by Nancy Carlise & Clay Dawson, vote passed).

Treasurer, Debra Hansen, reported the treasury balance as \$14,107.86.

Updates:

Club Plants: Keith Riewerts gave a slideshow of the plants ordered to date for the Club Plant Distribution in May. If anyone has a special one that they like ordered, please contact Keith as soon as possible, because he still has more plants to order. Zora noted that 70 members are eligible for a free plant. The balance of plants will be put up for auction for all members to bid on.

Members' Handbook: Jonathan Poulton gave an update on the Member's Handbook that several members are currently are working on. His plan is to have the first draft ready for the March Newsletter for all to read prior to discussing revisions at the March meeting. He welcomes everyone to send comments to help him have it ready for a vote at the April meeting.

Regional Meeting: Jackie Westhoff gave an update on the Region One Summer Meeting that we are hosting at Hotel Kirkwood in Cedar Rapids July 20-22. She asked for more volunteers for different committees. She stressed that many hands make light work and help the event to be a huge success! We already have several outside vendors that will be setting up beside the Boutique on Friday (see website for details). The tour gardens are set, and volunteers are needed to help with greeting registrants and traffic flow for them. The garden hosts have their workers lined up to help, but would probably not turn down member help, if you are so inclined! A booklet/brochure with all the meeting events and final schedule will be coming at a later date. Jackie is looking for

a Publicity Chair to get all the advertising done. Please contact her if you wish to volunteer.

Several items were shared that will be in the raffle, boutique, etc. A list will be formulated of items for donation at the event and will be available shortly. Fabric was donated for large table cloths for the Regional, but will first be used for the Kirkwood Gardening Fair February 18.

There was some discussion about the need of Port-A-Pots at the gardens. No action was taken at this time, because it was felt that the tour buses have adequate facilities. The issue was raised about having a T-shirt with club logo on for volunteers to wear for recognition as a guide for questions and help. No action was taken.

Membership Committee: Nancy Carlisle proposed that the club set up a Membership Committee that would focus on recruitment and retention of club members. There were very favorable comments and some members volunteered to help the Nancy as committee chair, with the responsibilities. (Gary Oster 1st & Sally Riewerts 2nd on motion & vote passed).

Sharon Murken and Carolyn Jones were the recipients of door prizes. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.

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Sherri Baldonado	Roger Knipper	Joyce Parsons
Nancy Carlisle	Sue Kramer	Steve Parsons
Clay Dawson	Sharon Lynch-Voparil	Diann Pavelka
Kathleen Dawson	Sherry McCarville	Joyce Peterson
Brett Doblin	Barb McCreight	LeAnn Pisarik
Donna Denly	Rex McCreight	Jonathan Poulton
Jill Gardner	Lyle Moen	Nancy Rash
Debra Hansen	Robert Moffit	Keith Riewerts
Scott Hansen	Suzanne Moffit	Sally Riewerts
Loren Haas	Lynn Moffit	Jan Rogers
Myrna Haas	Sherry Moffit	Zora Ronan
Kay Hill	Mary Moore	Sylvia Seymour
Carol Hodgden	Verne Moore	Lynn Stoll
Caroline Jones	Karmin Mullins	Jackie Westhoff
Jack Jones	Sharon Murken	
Brenda Knipper	Gary Oster	