## The Little Garden Club of Memphis Board Meeting January 10, 2024 Memphis Botanic Garden Water Garden Room

Attending: Emily Kay, Connie Adams, Kathy Adams, Kate Connell, Lucia Crenshaw, Liz Crosby, Anne Dunavant, Michelle Dunavant, Katie Eleazer, Bradley Fogelman, Mary Call Ford, Kim Gibson, Julie Hussey, Garnett Hutton, Jean Johnston, Anne Keesee, Vance Lewis, Kim Lowrance, Kim Macqueen, Linda Mallory, Courtenay McAllister, Mary Muscari, Paige Proctor, Leslie Schutt, Catherine Sikes, Lisa Snowden, Tempe Thompson, Kate Trammell, Katie Wiener, Barbara Williamson, Elizabeth Williamson, Stephanie Wilson

Emily Kay, President, welcomed everyone. There being no board meeting held in December, Emily asked for a motion to approve the November 2023 board meeting minutes. Katie Eleazer made the motion, Connie Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Linda Mallory, Treasurer, reported the following balances as of 10/31:

Administrative Fund \$26,676.09 (+CD of \$58,592.21)
Community Fund \$27,149.73 (+CD of \$56,172.07)
Zone Meeting Fund \$11,590.89 (+CD of \$54,489.80)
Anne Dunavant, Assistant Treasurer, reported the following balances:
GCA Education Fund \$8,444.01 (+CD of \$68,736.44)

Sensory Garden \$ 6,446.65 (+CD of \$27,609.61)
Children's Garden \$ 4,743.93 (+CD of \$35,119.52)
Memorial Fund \$ 5,484.15 (+CD of \$24,788.31)

Michelle Dunavant, Floral Design, announced that there will be a virtual GCA Floral Design Conference on February 6. The deadline to register is February 4.

Jean Johnston, Programs, announced that our speaker at tomorrow's membership meeting will be Sarah Bell of Selavie Photography. Sarah is a Memphis based Interior Design and Commercial photographer

Mary Call Ford let everyone know that Susan Gravely, our December speaker, left 6 autographed copies of her cookbook which are available for purchase and coupons for 20% off orders placed at Vietri.com.

Tempe Thompson, Membership, pointed out that many LGC members are still missing profile pictures on the GCA website. She asked that anyone who doesn't have a profile picture to email a picture to her. She will also be taking pictures at tomorrow's meeting.

Julie Hussey, Sensory Garden, met with Tom Pellett who pointed out some needed repairs. Julie asked if LGC is responsible for repairing/replacing rotten wood on the trellis and fencing in the Sensory Garden or if MBG is responsible for that. After some discussion, it was decided that Julie would explore it further with Mary Helen Butler.

Courtenay McAllister, Programs, reported that tomorrow's meeting will be at Sara's Place. There will be a golf cart to shuttle members from the main building to Sara's Place.

## **New Business:**

Emily Kay announced that LGC has yet to make a pledge to the latest MBG Capital Campaign, Rooted at Park and Cherry. We gave \$25,000 to the last capital campaign for the lobby. Emily outlined several options to which our donation could be allocated. After lengthy discussion, it was decided that we would need to get more information to make an informed decision. Kim Macqueen announced that Mary Helen Butler would come to the February board meeting with more specific information about naming opportunities as part of the capital campaign. In the meantime, she will set up a tour of the gardens.

There being no further business, Emily adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Garnett Hutton
Recording Secretary