The Little Garden Club of Memphis Board Meeting March 6, 2024 Memphis Botanic Garden Water Garden Room

Attending: Emily Kay, Kathy Adams, Sue Clark, Lucia Crenshaw, Liz Crosby, Anne Dunavant, Michelle Dunavant, Katie Eleazer, Bradley Fogelman, Mary Call Ford, Kim Gibson, Julie Hussey, Stacey Hussey, Garnett Hutton, Jean Johnston, Anne Keesee, Vance Lewis, Kim MacQueen, Linda Mallory, Courtenay, McAllister, Mary Muscari, Paige Proctor, Ruthie Taylor, Kate Trammell, Gina White, Elizabeth Williamson, Stephanie Wilson

Emily Kay, President, opened the meeting. Emily asked for a motion to approve the February 2024 board meeting minutes. Anne Keesee made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Katie Eleazer seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mary Muscari, Membership, reported that we are 99% current on our individual memberships to the Memphis Botanic Garden (MBG).

Bradley Fogelman and Elizabeth Williamson, Horticulture Chairs, announced there would be a "Backyard Gardening Basics" pop-up event at MBG on March 18 at 11:00 am. Owen Smith will demonstrate a simple way to start a garden from seed. On Wednesday, March 27 at 10:30 am in the Goldsmith Room, fellow LGC members Kathy Adams, Lynn Fulton and Gina White will demonstrate and give us tips on how to enter Horticulture in a flower show. On April 24 at 11 am at Sarah's Place, staff from MBG will speak to us about specialty insects and what plants are good for attracting beneficial insects to our gardens.

Stephanie Wilson and Liz Crosby, Inspirations, reported that they have been working on the details for Inspirations which will be held November 7. Committee chairs for all the major committees are in place and planning. Mimsie Crump and Loren Powell, décor chairs, are developing great ideas to make it a beautiful event. Jean Johnston, Courtenay McAllister, and Julie Wunderlich, gift market, will be using an online source to gather inventory. Stacey Hussey,

Regan Magness, and Barbara Williamson, marketing chairs, have contacted a graphic designer and plan to lean mainly on social media to market our event. There will be a cocktail party on the evening of November 6 for sponsors to meet our speaker, Mary Celeste Beall. A raffle is also in the works.

Bradley Fogelman and Garnett Hutton, Sponsor Chairs for Inspirations, encouraged everyone to join them in thinking of individuals or companies who might be interested in sponsoring the event. Sponsors will be recognized on all digital material and will get tickets to the pre-event cocktail party.

Jean Johnston, Programs, announced, that tomorrow's membership meeting is at MBG. Mike Allen will give us a "State of the Garden" address followed by a tour of the newest project at the garden and lunch.

Michelle Dunavant, Flower Show Chair, announced the committee is in place and the theme is "Tune into Memphis."

With there being no further business, Emily adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Garnett Hutton