

**The Little Garden Club
Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 11
Water Garden Room**

Attending: Emily Kay, Kathy Adams, Sue Clark, Lucia Crenshaw, Liz Crosby, Mimsie Crump, Michelle Dunavant, Katie Eleazer, Bradley Fogelman, Mary Call Ford, Julie Hussey, Garnett Hutton, Stacey Hussey, Jean Johnston, Vance Lewis, Linda Mallory, Paige Proctor, Leslie Schutt, Lisa Snowden, Ruthie Taylor, Tempe Thompson, Gina White, Katie Wiener, Elizabeth Williamson, Stephanie Wilson

Emily Kay, President, called the meeting to order.

Emily asked for a motion to approve the November minutes. Katie Eleazer made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mary Call Ford seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Linda Mallory, Treasurer, reported the following account balances:

Community Fund	\$22,219.73 (+CD of \$86,392.51)
Administration Fund	\$22,675.03 (+CD of \$56,013.75)
GCA Education Fund	\$ 12,565.71 (+CD of \$65,711.56)
Sensory Garden	\$ 10,428.67 (+CD of \$26,486.58)
Children's Garden	\$ 10,159.88 (+CD of \$33,691.02)
Zone Meeting Fund	\$ 1,030.10 (+CD of 52,273.41)
Memorial Fund	\$ 3,970.62 (+CD of 23,780.04)

Stacey Hussey, Entertainment, announced that next month's joint meeting with the Memphis Garden Club will be at The Memphis Hunt and Polo Club on Thursday, February 9. Stacey asked for ideas to improve the event. After much discussion it was decided that there would be one price for the meeting which will begin at 10:30 with coffee, champagne, and casual brunch followed by our speaker, Margot Shaw.

Floral Design, Mimsie Crump and Michelle Dunavant, discussed the joint meeting arrangements will depend upon the layout. The arrangements will be available for purchase. They will pass a sign-up sheet at tomorrow's membership meeting for anyone who would like to help with the arrangements.

Programs, Jean Johnston, announced that Tricia Hunt is coming to speak at tomorrow's membership meeting. Among other things, Tricia will address what to do about the plants in our yard that have suffered due to the cold weather in December.

Ruthie Taylor and Sue Clark, Travel, announced a trip they have planned to Chicago from September 11- 15 inspired by the book, Gardens of the North Shore of Chicago. We will go to

Chicago for a night and spend the rest of the time in Lake Forest at the Deer Path Inn. Participation is limited to 30 members. Also, we will take a day trip to LaGrange on April 20. We'll have lunch and take a historical tour of the church, graveyards, and Nora Whitmer's home.

Old Business:

Emily announced she had received acknowledgement from Mary Helen Butler at MBG that a Pinxsterbloom hybrid azalea has been planted in the Sensory Garden given in honor of Rick Pudwell by The Little Garden Club of Memphis, and a plaque has been placed commemorating the gift.

New Business:

Emily announced Kate Connell, Civic Improvement, has applied for two GCA grants:

Partners for Plants: to continue the work we have done for 3 years to clear invasive and replant native plants (requested \$6,000 over the next 3 years)

Hull Award: to recognize Gina Harris for the environmental education work she does with youth at MBG

The GCA is working toward having the month of April declared "Native Plant Month" in every state. Emily is working in conjunction with other Tennessee GCA clubs to petition the Governor of Tennessee to issue a proclamation for our state.

Mary Call Ford announced that Ruthie Taylor has been asked to step in as Zone Horticulture Representative for Martha Weisinger.

Emily addressed an issue with donations to Sarah's Scholarship Fund in memory of Ellis Misner. While LGC members wish to honor Janet Misner with a memorial to her brother, Sarah's Scholarship Fund is an MBG entity. Going forward, Linda Mallory, Treasurer, will keep a list of memorials made to Sarah's Fund and they will be printed in the Ivy Vine.

Bradley Fogelman, Horticulture, announced there would be a Hort Pop-Up Milk Jug Challenge on February 24 at the Memphis Botanic Garden. We will be planting the seeds Bradley and Elizabeth Williamson brought back from the Shirley Meneice conference in milk jugs.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Garnett Hutton