Homer Garden Club

Membership Meeting at Aspen Hotel

November 20, 2022

Meeting called to order by President Kathy Dube’ at 2:00

Announcements: Club member has Geranium starts available

Secretaries Report: Connie – approve the meeting minutes of the October 16, 2022 membership meeting; Kathy announces, Barb moves to approve, Janice seconds, no discussion, motion passes unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Louise – club has $26,916.36 in funds; we are in fine shape. Committee formed by Julie to help find good causes with the money while staying within the club by-laws.

Committee Reports:

 Gardener’s Weekend – Ronnie Overway: Has been putting together a scrapbook of the history of the garden tours in Homer. Brenda Adams asks for volunteers to open up their gardens. Francie reports main event will be July 16 with 5 gardens signed up so far.

 Speakers Committee – Janice: January will be Beth from Panama Reds on the topic of using grow lights. February will be Jeff Dean covering garden art. March we’ll have Lindsey Olson on Kelp farming; April will be Jason Davis from Sweetgale Meadworks to speak about making mead, using berries and working with bees. May is still open at this time.

 Baycrest Garden – Brenda: Put to bed for the winter, nothing else to report.

 Plant Sale – Will be in May, date TBD.

 Social Committee – Michael is out of state.

 Database – Barb: We have 80 members now.

 Other Business – Kathy: Julie has agreed to head up a committee to determine how the club can use the funds we have while staying within the constitution and bylaws. If either need to be changed to meet current needs, any changes would need to be approved by the entire membership. Julie is looking for volunteers. Brenda: Initial intention was for garden education staying within parameters for 501c3 status; no individuals or businesses that are for profit.

Kathy adjourns meeting at 2:30, next membership meeting will be January 15, 2023.

Jan introduces Brad Casar who will cover how to extend growing season with cold frames and other methods along with how to properly take care of gardening tools.