

# **NCGC March, 2018 General Meeting**

## **March 8, 2018**

### **\*\*President: Cheryl Fawvor**

Cheryl called the meeting to order at 10:00 and welcomed members and guests.

### **\*\*Programs: Chris Rogers**

Chris introduced the speaker: Elizabeth Fisher on "How to Grow (or Kill) Orchids in Three Easy Steps."

After the speaker's informative presentation, Cheryl called the business meeting to order at 9:55.

### **\*\*Secretary: Linda Warren**

The minutes from the February meeting are on the website.

### **\*\*Treasurer: Vikki Rogers**

Vikki gave the treasurer's report:

Beginning balance	\$7,415.73
Income	1,175.00 (raffle, bulb sale, EOY luncheon, membership)
Expenses	<u>98.17 (misc exp and MUD room set-up)</u>
Current balance	\$8,492.56

### **\*\* Federation: Karen Holmes**

The Federation meeting will be on Friday, March 9, and the topic will be Hummingbirds. The Fed will hold a plant sale on April 7 and has a convention coming up. In addition, the Fed is raffling off tickets to the St. Francisville Garden Symposium in Oct. See Karen for more info on any of these items.

### **\*\*Programs: Carole Royer**

Carole reminded members of upcoming field trips and activities:

April 5: Jacob Martin will be our speaker. He will give an Introduction to and History of Mercer Arboretum.

April 19: Field Trip to Mercer Arboretum. Meet at the MUD at 8:45 to carpool. Sign up today. The max number is 20. So far 18 have signed up. We will also have a wait list. This will be a guided tour,

followed by lunch at Panera Bread.

**\*\*Parliamentarian: Kim Patrick**

Thank you to everyone who bought plants today.

**\*\*President: Cheryl Fawvor**

Cheryl announced that the nominating committee has a slate of nominees for us to vote on today. She thanked the Nominating Committee, consisting of Flora Tiedt, Pat Chislett, and Patty King. The nominees are:

2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Flora Tiedt

Secretary – Linda Warren

Treasurer – Vikki Rogers

Cheryl asked for nominees from the floor. There were none. She then called for a vote. The vote was 100% in favor of these nominees.

**\*\*Fundraising: Lisa Spivey**

Lisa reminded members that today is the last day to order bulbs. They will arrive in early April.

Nan Righter announced the Plant Swap which will be held at the April meeting. Members are asked to bring two or three plants, either potted or bagged (bulbs, for instance.) Please put your name, the name of the plant, and any care information on a label attached to the pot or baggie. There will be one table for "Sun" plants and one for "Shade" plants.

**\*\*Historian: Margaret St. Clair**

Margaret had nothing to report.

**\*\*Hospitality: Mary Weatherl**

Mary thanked the hostesses for today and asked them to stand and be recognized.

**\*\*Membership/Directory: Laurel Gonzalez/Alice Brown**

Laurel reported that today there are 44 members and 12 guests present. The membership renewal process is ongoing.

**\*\*Newsletter: Flora Tiedt**

In Flora's absence, Cheryl announced that the newsletter and the announcements were attached to her email this week and were placed on each seat prior to the meeting. Cheryl also told visitors about our website.

**\*\*Sunshine and Lunch: Maddy Gardner**

Lunch today will be at Babin's. Any suggestions for future lunches would be

welcome.

**\*\*Horticulture: Jean Bays**

Jean showed and described a ground orchid and coral honeysuckle brought in by members.

**\*\*Drawings: Lori Fay**

The winners were:

Hand-painted stone – Pat Morf

Bird dish for indoor or out – Nancy Calderone

Painting donated by Lee Hardesty – Visitor

Door Prize – Maddy Gardner

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35