

Oviedo Garden Club minutes

January 17, 2023

The first meeting for 2023 of the Oviedo Garden Club was held from 12:30-2:30pm at the Oviedo Library. The hostesses were Martha Clouse, Chris Cavallini, Brenda Martin, Ashley Vittitow and Barbara Betro. Drinks, light lunch and desserts were provided.

Lynne Moore read the devotion on God's council and the new year.

The business meeting was called to order by Hope Scheller, President. Minutes from November and December were read.

Roll call: 30 members and 2 golden members present

Member Report: Current members 40 and 8 golden members

Birthdays were acknowledged.

Treasurer Report: Margie Scarborough reported \$4,725 in the bank. Other monies appropriated were \$325 for meetings with \$40 for individual meetings.

Horticulture: Martha Clouse discussed Oviedo Plant Swap org. She also did a workshop with members making seedling pots from newspaper filled with soil and seeds.

Lynne Moore is looking for a Beefstick Begonia.

It was suggested the club might have a wish list for members seeking certain plants.

Antoinette Mordecai suggested a seed swap for the club.

Updates : Laurie Harrington discussed ideas for members hosting future meetings: including speakers from the Seminole county extension and a list of appropriate places for field trips. Martha suggested Mead gardens and is a contact for scheduling.

New Business:

Club initiatives: Discussed responses on member surveys on initiatives and future donations.

Lawton School Garden (LESA), survey response 79% positive

Meeting: vote yes to donate \$500 for restoration after flooding and further maintenance

Oviedo Boys and Girls Club, survey response 71% positive

Meeting: vote yes to donate. Nell Findlay will contact Nila Davis to find what is needed for gardens to determine \$ amount.

Oviedo Methodist Church, survey response 75% positive

Meeting: vote yes to donate \$200 for triangle maintenance and continued use by garden club for plant sales.

Community Service, Survey response 39% positive

Meeting: initiative tabled for now. More info needed in the future. Possible projects are native area in Solary Park, beautifying Town Hall Garden, and other suggestions from the mayor.

Seminole County Environmental Studies Center, member response 68% positive

Meeting: initiative tabled until financial status of the center can be determined.

other initiatives discussed at meeting:

Historic Oviedo Colored School Garden Museum, Ashley Vittitow to get more info

Benevolent Bouquets, Meeting: vote yes for members to donate vases. Drive to collect vases at the February meeting.

Girl Scout Butterfly Garden at Boys Town. Christine Hanson to have Jessica (student) provide more info.

Plaque for Annabelle Tropf, Hope to follow up on previously donated money for memorial plaque and bench at Lawton House.

Misc. proposed ideas for further community outreach and ideas for donations:

booth at earth day festival at Lawton, butterfly garden for Oviedo Boys and Girls club, plants for VA, Girl Scouts come to help with plant sale, make waist height raised beds, Cross Life Church

donation request form, design a new form for organizations to request funds/help with projects: detailing contact person, type of project, accountability of funds and timeline.

Club Chairs: not discussed

Next meetings: February 21st at the Oviedo Library 11a-1pm
Triangle work day, February 27th

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Laurie Magyar