

# **Frisco Garden Club**

General Membership Meeting  
November 15, 2022  
The Depot at Frisco Heritage Village  
6499 Page Street  
Frisco, TX

**Call to Order:** President Faye Lipham called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to both the United States and Texas flags.

## **Introduction of Guests and New Members**

Mary Lawson introduced her guest and returning member Shilpa Nagasamudra. Helena Erickson introduced a guest named Winnie.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Earlene Caldwell read corrections to the October 11, 2022 General Meeting Minutes. The minutes were approved.

## **Host Team Appreciation**

Faye Lipham recognized the November host committee lead by Phyllis Ponzio and including Helen-Eve Beadle, Gerry Cerveny, Mary Lynn Finney, Susie Fogerson, Amy Hardin, Judy Kimpel, Joann Orlando, Rosita Smith, and Mary Vaughn.

## **Horticulture Report**

Helen-Eve Beadle presented “Fork, Knife, Spoon”, an interesting description of the configuration of persimmon seeds and how they might predict seasonal weather.

## **Inspiration Report**

Mary Vaughn read “Inside My Garden Gate”, a beautiful poem about gardening.

## **Program**

Amy Monroy from the Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary presented “Plants and Wildlife”, a presentation about the history of the native plant movement in North Texas.

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

### **New Business**

### **Treasurer Report**

Treasurer Lisa Stafford reported the following:

Our cash balance on hand as of Oct 1<sup>st</sup> = **33,851.75**

Total Receipts for the month = **3,666.16**

The receipts breakdown is:

1. 30.00 for community parade decorations donated by Bonnie Kenan
2. 35.00 for 1 new membership
3. 2,995 was raised from our raffle and live/silent auctions at the Fall Fashion Show
4. 600 raised from 10 ticket sales for the Fall Fashion Show
5. 6.16 for interest paid on our new savings account

Total Disbursements for the month = **6,682.39**

The disbursement breakdown is:

1. 52.48 credit card fees at Fall Fashion Show
2. 217.22 Gazette newsletter subscription
3. 266.80 Boys/Girls Club – seeds, weed barrier, mulch, pumpkins, books, animal repellent shaker
4. 294.14 Buffalo Stomp – seed ball clay, biodegradable bags, time capsule
5. 68.81 Crozier Sickles – plants, plant stakes and label tape
6. 42.76 Smith Muse – fertilizer
7. 121.57 Outreach – FGC promotional brochures
8. 5,618.61 Fall Fashion Show expenses – venue, centerpieces, purse vases, raffle gift card, misc

Leaving us a Balance on hand as of Oct 31<sup>st</sup> = **30,835.52**

The following is the Fall Fashion Show financial recap:

Total Fundraiser Receipts =	9,815.00
Total Expenditures =	<u>5,671.09</u>
Net Fundraiser Amount =	<b>4,143.91</b>

Lisa introduced a series of motions as follows:

#### Motion 1

Lisa Stafford moved that the Frisco Garden Club reallocate the \$102.00 Insurance surplus amount to the following budgeted line items: \$6.00 to the PO Box, \$19.90 to the Yearbook, and \$76.10 to Miscellaneous. Faye Lipham seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

#### Motion 2

Lisa Stafford moved that the Frisco Garden Club reallocate the \$50.00 9/11 Committee surplus amount to the miscellaneous budget line item as agreed upon by the committee chair Janet Hannam. Karen Lipscomb seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

#### Motion 3

Lisa Stafford moved that the Frisco Garden Club reallocate the \$450.00 Merry Main Street budget amount included in the Ways and Means Committee Expense to the Outreach budget line item.” Helena Erickson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

#### Motion 4

Lisa Stafford moved that the Frisco Garden Club reallocate the \$3,200 Reserved, Scholarships-Restricted budget amount from under Reserved Funds to Program Expenses and amend the following budgeted line items: Scholarships from \$5,150 to \$1,950 and Ending Balance Minus Reserved Funds from \$10,700.73 to \$13,900.73. Helen-Eve Beadle seconded the motion. Discussion ensued after which the motion was approved.

Lisa Stafford discussed completion of revenue goals for scholarship donations and Fall Fashion Show proceeds.

Helena Erickson moved that the net proceeds from the fall fashion show be dedicated to the FGC scholarship fund. Sandy Simpson seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

### **Scholarships**

Brad Elledge proposed that FGC grant an additional scholarship that would be conveyed directly from FGC rather than through the Frisco Education Foundation. Brad moved that the net proceeds of \$3,193.91 from the Fall Fashion Show which have been dedicated to scholarships be dedicated for award to high school seniors from the city of Frisco. Donna Schmittler seconded the motion. Helena Erickson proposed amendment to the motion that Fall Fashion Show net proceeds be added to the scholarship budget in general, omitting specific dedication to City of Frisco high school seniors. The motion was approved.

### **Ways and Means**

Marlene Byndon reported that the Fall Fashion Show was a great success and she recognized Donna Schmittler for initiating the idea for the event. Marlene also expressed appreciation to the Ways and Means Committee for their work.

**Survey Results - Beverage & Refreshments/Brand Apparel** - Earlene Caldwell summarized the results of the surveys. Faye Lipham suggested that, as a result of the opinions expressed in the meeting Beverage/Refreshment Survey we provide water, no food, and that arrangement donated by Luxe Stems serve as the sole door prize. Discussion ensued about the benefits of table decor and timeline for making changes. Helena moved that each host committee be allowed to decide the extent of decor and refreshments. The motion was seconded Bonnie Kenan. Discussion followed. The motion was approved.

### **Merry Main Street**

Bonnie Kenan reported on the ways that FGC will participate in the Merry Main Street event.

### **Standing Committee Highlight**

Gay Worley described activities of the Sunshine Committee and reminded the membership to contact Gay with member news.

### **Events Highlight**

Amy Deatherage recognized the Arborfest/Buffalo Stomp/Community Parade Committees for their work on these very successful events.

### **Time Capsule**

Faye Lipham described the time capsule that was to be buried during the Arborfest event and how the idea came about. The burial did not take place as

planned at the event because the city is still waiting for the "Cheers to 90 Years" marker that will mark the burial spot. Upon the marker's arrival, the club members will be notified of the date and time it will be buried. Amy Deatherage encouraged club members to write a note to be included in the time capsule.

### **Night Meeting Events**

Linda Wilson discussed the possibility of adding more gardening programs for the club members to attend. The goal would be to start with 2-3 day or evening meetings this club year and in the future have more frequent meetings. A clipboard was passed around for ideas from members on what kind of programs they want. A survey will go out to request what gardening interests the members would like to learn more about.

### **Donations for Veterans**

Faye Lipham reported that there has been no conversation to date with Bobbie Mason regarding the donations for veterans. She will notify club members upon receipt of the information.

### **Door Prize**

Gerry Cerveny drew Annette Martinez's name as the winner of the flower arrangement donated by Luxe Stems.

### **Centerpieces**

The centerpieces on the tables at this meeting were created by the host committee and were awarded to the member at each table whose birthday is the closest to Thanksgiving Day.

The meeting was adjourned by President Faye Lipham at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Earlene Caldwell  
Recording Secretary