**FAIRBANKS GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON 5/23/2018**

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Charlotte Pollock, Co-President, opened the FGC annual meeting and luncheon at 11:40am with 36 members in attendance. The meeting and luncheon was held at the Olde Colonial Café in Norwood MA. Many thanks to Palma Coccia, and the restaurant staff for the use of this beautiful venue and for the delicious luncheon. Charlotte went on to thank everyone in attendance.

**Item #1 Rose Favret, Recording Secretary**

Minutes of the 4/18/18 luncheon accepted.

**Item #2 Annette Eddy, Co-President, FGC/Medfield GC picnic**

At this time Annette Eddy, Co-president, told us of the picnic FGC and the Medfield GC are planning at the Fairbanks House on July 16, (rain date of 7/23). A sign-up sheet is being circulated to list attendees and food items to be brought to the picnic. This will be a fun time with games, raffles and good food.

**Item #3 Mary Devine-Bentz, Co-Treasurer**

Mary reported that the Plant Sale total was:

* Art table drawing=$190.00, Art table items sold=$824.00, Grand total of plant sale=3086.00

**Item #4 Charlotte Pollock, Co-President, Plant Sale, Items of Interest,**

Charlotte thanked everyone who helped at the plant sale for their outstanding work making this year’s plant sale a success. Charlotte relayed a thank you from Jeannine Lathum, Plant Sale Chair. Jeannine could not attend the luncheon but said that everyone should pat themselves on the back for the success of the plant sale. Charlotte mentioned the Needham garden tour on 6/10 1pm-4pm tickets are $30.00/$35.00.

FGC is in the planning stage of a possible FGC members’ gardens tour in June. The Fairbanks family reunion will be on 8/11/18, please sign up if you are interested.

**Item #5 Carol Dixon, Garden Therapy/Horticulture Committee Chair**

Carol mentioned summer help at the Fairbanks House. Even though the FGC is on hiatus for July/August the weeds at the Fairbanks House flowers beds keep growing. Please sign up if you can give any time throughout the summer to weed/water the flowerbeds. There will be a clean-up at the Fairbanks House on Thursday 5/31. Sign-up sheet is being circulated.

**Item #6 Charlotte Pollock, Co-President, Thank You to the retiring 5 Board Members**

Charlotte presented each of the retiring board members with a lovely sedum plant. Charlotte stated that each of the sedums were as different and unique as each of these board members. Each member brought her special talent to the committees that they chaired.

* Christine Page-thank you for being a co-president and the nominating chair for helping find people to fill open positions.
* Loretta Larraga-thank you for your computer wizardry and your work on the yearbook and website.
* Carol Cook-thank you for sharing your creativity with the FGC, your funny jibjabs and mailboxes.
* Annette Eddy-thank you for your work as co-president and your work as ways and means chair. The pumpkin patch and 50/50 opportunities drawings, and your garden arts creativity helped raise funds for FGC.
* Rose Favret-thank you for the board meeting minutes and luncheon minutes and always keeping any eye on Roberts Rules.

**Item #7 Charlotte Pollock, Elections**

We went onto vote in Marion Kirohn as Co-President and Judy Massey as Recording Secretary. Rose Favret, Recording Secretary, cast the 1 vote for the 2 nominees on this slate. The vote was accepted and Marion Kirohn was elected Co-President and Judy Massey was elected Recording Secretary. Also noted was that Lisa Brayton will be Tours/Conservation Chair, Mary Compagnone will be Publicity Chair and Janet Evans will be Way/Means Chair.

At this time we went on to enjoy a wonderful luncheon surrounded by all our wonderful friends. The food was delicious and the conversations were warm and welcoming.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Rose M. Favret, Recording Secretary, FGC